Well...a biggie issue....just in time...now for those in the U.S. that pay taxes...you should be done by now and with this issue....you can now sit back and relax....no? Inside this big issue are several items that you can build, rip open, and in general mess up your room with a little bit of everything for everyone!

1985 NRC Convention We've got some tidbits to pass on to you....it's never to early. right? Here goes: Ramada Inn, 144 Anthony Road, Portsmouth, RI 02871. Room reservations will be handled by Craig Healy . DO NOT CALL THE RAMADA INN. Rates are \$55 Single/ \$65 Double. IF YOUR INTERESTED IN A TOUR OF NEWFORT AND THE MANSIONS LET CRAIG KNOW NOW!!!
Banquet costs, etc haven't been determined yet, don't ask. And when you write to Craig, PLEASE send an SASE. By the way, the location is very close to many a good beach, so bring your swimsuit and shark repellant (just kidding about the last item -HQ). DXing off the beach is very good by the way. When is this party? Labor Day weekend...of course! That's it on details for now...enough to tell the boss you want that weekend off..right. Craig' address....see top of page 12.

NRC Convention Auction items can be shipped now to Craig. And Terry's Travel Agency, see a few issues back, can arrange your trip for you....per Craig. Also, speaking about past issues....we mentioned that Craig would pay for shipping of items that you buy at the Convention's Auction....to clarify that, you will be CHARGED for the shipment but only what it costs to ship the item ... again per Craig. Any questions get ahold of Craig.

<u>DXCHANGE</u> Get your items into Russ Edmunds that you wish to sell, or want to buy, or whatever. The date: April 15th, so that they will appear in the May issue. Address: 753 Valley Rd., Blue Bell, PA 19422 Send your letters today!!!

/Musings/ Pauls other address for your Musings is: P.O.Sox 4812, Panorana City, CA 91412.

We'd like to mention that those asking for the "NRC Catalog", please, send along a 22 cent stamp....it helps us out greatly !!! Thanks for your cooperation.

CPC TEST (Times shown are Eastern Time)

April 15 KCTA-1030 Corpus Christi, Texas 0500-0600, 50Kw Non-directional, Tones, Music. Monday ID's. Reports to: Tim Walker, Director of Engineering, Box 898, Corpus Christi, Texas, 78403 No Collect calls to: 512-643-3541. Arranged by: George Santulli.

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Old c			New	call:	
1030 1050 1130	*New *New WWCM *New	IL NM IN PR	Vernon Hills Los Ranchos de Albuquerque Brazil Guayanillia	WLMV KNXX WSDM+ WOIZ	+These stations were formerly silent. The application for new call letters should
1350 1430 1500 1560	KBOT WJRB KROQ KABI	AR TN CA KS	Cabot Madison Burbank Abilene	KYXZ WLRQ KRCK+ KSAJ	signal a pending renewal of operations.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

840 WI Plover: 500 D1 (by Quantum Broadcasting, previous applicant for 750 kH 890 FL Port Orange: 500 D1 1130 NM Milan: 5000 D1 1150 MS Canton: 500 D1 1170 FL Bushnell: 1000 D1

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1040 KY Cannonsburg: 10000 (1000 CH) D3 1130 PR Guayanillia: 2500 D1

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

630	KJNO	AK	Juneau: 5000/1000 U1
640	WLVJ	FL	Royal Palm Beach: relocate XR site, new station not on yet
660	KGDP	CA	Santa Ynez: move to Orcutt, CA, extend CP completion time, ne station, not on the air yet
800	KFRZ	UT	Brigham City: power to 1000 D1
860	WAEC	GA	Atlanta: move to Mableton, GA
960	WRFC	GA	Athens: move XR, night power to 2500 (reapplication)
1010		FL	Jacksonville Beach: add 5000 watts night, DA
1230	KIFW	AK	Sitka: 1000/1000 U1
	KGFJ	CA	Los Angeles: increase power during KPPC hours from 100 watts to 400 watts. So help me, ALL the services report this as 400
1270	WNOG	FL	Naples: night power to 2500
1430	KNTA	CA	Santa Clara: night power to 2500
1460	WRLB	NJ	Mount Holly: move to Florence, NJ, relocate XR
1470	WMMW	CT	Meriden: reduce night power of fulltime CP to 2500
1500	WDEB	TN	Jamestown: to 820 kHz in Alladart, TN (reapplication)

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

740 WSBR FL Boca Raton: daytime power to 2500
790 WTSK AL Tuscaloosa: power to 5000 D1
800 WSST FL Largo: moves to 820 kHz with 50000/1000 U2 (additional informat)
for previous listing)
860 KTRB CA Modesto: 50000/50000 U4
1030 WBDX TN White Bluff: day power to 10000 non-DA, station remains U-2
1080 KJEL MO Lebanon: to 750 kHz 1000 D1 ++
1520 WCCS PA Homer City: to 1160 kHz with 1000/250 U4

++ The FCC listed this first as a grant for a NEW STATION in it's Public Notice and all the services, this one included, listed it thus. We have done some digging on our own and found that this was actually a frequency change granted to existing KJEL. And, with lightning speed, the change to 750 is on already.

OTHERNESS

_			CD completion time now and
660	KTNN	AZ	Window Rock: requests extention of CP completion time, new stn.
700	*App	MD	Walkersville: application for new station returned again
720	*App	FL	Hernando: application for new station returned
830	WLND	OH	Cortland: is on the air, another new local signal here
			and itter and institute for new station returned again
840	*App	NM	Bernalillo: application for new station returned again
	*App	WI	Seymour: application for new station returned
	MAM		and leasten for new station returned
880	*App	TN	Frayser: application for new station returned
		WI	Mayville: application for new station returned
990	*App	MI	Hoyelland of CD to make the second
	KCMJ	CA	Palm Springs: requests extention of CP to move to 1140 kHz
1010			
1300	KGHX	AK	Fairbanks: Station
		OH	Willoughby: application for fulltime returned
1330	WELW	OH	
	WGNW	WI	Sussex: station is sirent
1370			
1390	KBBO	WA	Yakima: application for power increase returned
1330			

1400 *App WA Silverdale: application for new station returned 1590 WALY KY Gray: new station is on the air

All for this time, 73 and Good DX,

Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

ADDRESS UPDATES

			A	DDRESS UPDATES		
== SI	END UF	DA'	TES TO- JERRY STARR	DDRESS UPDATES ====================================	OH 445	505 ==
640	HHLS	OK	MOORE	address is NORMAN		WP-MC
670	KWNK	CA	SIMI VALLEY	2136 WINIFRED ST.	93063	JH-CA
670	KWXT	AR	GI ENHOOD	P.O.BOX 'S'		HP-MC
700	KEAM	UT	SALT LAKE CITY	1171 SOUTHWEST TEMPLE	84101	JS-OH
710	MDSM	UT	SUPERTOR-DUILUTH	1105 E.SUPERIOR ST.		JH-PA
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040	MIDE	HL	DIKHIKGHAN	P.O. DOV OAN	20240	VC-PA
970	HEDG	TH	COLONTAL MTC	224 COL LITE PO VINCEPORT	27442	IC-OF
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880	KKHL	CH	GUNZHLES	P. 0. DOX 9040	73720	Un-Ci
880	KTKK		CONKUE	ONE AMEDICAN DI ACE	//305	Mb-Mc
910	HXAN	LA	BATUN ROUGE	ONE AMERICAN PLACE	20000	WP-MU
930	KLLS	IX	SAN ANTUNIO	8401 DATAPUINT DRSULTE 900	78229	MP-M
940	MYLD	LA	NEW ORLEANS	P.O.BOX 19066		MP-MC
970	KCFO	OK	TULSA	3737 S.37th WEST AVE.	74107	HP-M
970	KGHR	MM	AUSTIN	RTE.1 BOX 50	55912	HP-H
1010	KBBH	TX	WACO	P.O.BOX 2209	76703	MP-MC
1030	KHOG	AR	FAYETTEVILLE	103 WEST MOUNTAIN	72701	JS-01
1030	KBSH	MO	BLUE SPRINGS	1030 SOUTH OUTER RD.		WP-MC
1070	HINA	VA	CHARLOTTESVILLE	BOX 498	22902	CY-OF
1080	KRPX	UT	PRICE	163 EAST 100 NORTH-BOX 1076	84501	JH-CA
1100	KDRY	TX	SAN ANTONIO	P.O.BOX 6628	78209	HP-MC
1100	WGPA	PA	BETHLEHEM	528 N. NEH ST.	18018	JM-PA
1110	KGFL	AR	CLINTON	P.O.BOX 33	72031	HP-HO
1130	HSJP	KY	MURRAY	1500 DIUGUID DR.		HP-HO
1130	HCXI	MI	DETROIT	18900 JAMES COUZENS HWY.		MP-HO
1140	KVLI	CA	LAKE ISABELLA	also P.O. DRAHER 'T'		JH-CA
1140	KPWB	MO	PIEDMONT	HIGHWAY 'HH'	63957	WP-MC
1180	KTUN	TX	HUMBLE	add SUITE 'D'		WP-MC
1190	KHAD	MO	DeSOTA	P.O.BOX 585		WP-MC
1210	WILY	TL.	CENTRALIA	302 S. POPULAR		WP-MI
1220	KCCS	OR	SALEM	4303 MARKET ST.N.F.	97301	-IH-C
1220	MAXO	TN	LEWISBURG	217 W. COMMERCE ST.	,,,,,,	UP-H
1220	KZYH	MO	CAPE GTRARDEAU	P.O. BOX 1410		UP-MO
1230	KIES	MO	JOPI TN	P.O. POY 1230	44002	HP-HC
1240	HUHUN	NC	CHARL OTTE	P. O. POY 19414	20210	HU-M
1250	MREN	KS	TOPEKA	1001 ETIL MODE	44404	HH-C
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1240	KEND	CO	ASPEN	AZO E HODUTNE	01062	10-01
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1340	KTKO	47	MTAMT	303 KUTHEKPUKU SI.		GT-UF
1340	KETI	NM	CTI UED CTTV		85502	JH-C
1370	KHHH	TV	AUGTTN	B C DOV 1000	88062	JH-CA
1400	KUUL	47	CODINCEDUTUE	P.O.BOX 1208	/8/67	HP-MC
1420	VEL T	OV.	THESA	PIOLEUX 1069	85938	JH-CA
1430	KELL	UK	IULSA	9191 SKELLY DR.	74129	HP-MC
1440	KPUR	IX	AMARILLU	BOX 30000	79120	JH-CA
1450	MCLI	NY	CORNING	99 W.FIRST ST.	14830	JS-OF
1470	KHSL	IA	SIOUX CITY	P.O.BOX 3088		WP-MC
1480	KBEA	MO	KANSAS CITY	306 E.12th ST.	64106	WP-MC
1520	MAOI	OH	TOLEDO	P.O.BOX 5408	43613	KG-PA
1530	HMBE	MI	CHILTON	BOX 30	53014	JS-OF
1530	KCTT.	AR	YELLVILLE	P+0+B0X 100		HP-MC
1530	KTCR	OK	WAGDNER		74477	BW-DH
1540	KHFO	CA	APTOS	7600 OLD DOMINION ST.SUITE C	95003	JH-CA
					36633	BH-N.
			JACKSON	BOX 3320	THE STATE	BH-N.
1550	KLFJ	HO	SPRINGFIELD	811 BOONVILLE	65802	
1550	KKJO	HO	ST.JOSEPH	1201 N.WOODBINE-BOX 166	64502	
1560	HTAI	FL	MELBOURNE	1355 JONES RD.	32935	
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CAN THEY SURVIVE?

JH-CA JIM HILLIKER, ANAHEIM

1605-1705 kHz AM Extension Could Yield 1800 New Stations

Just over a year from now - from April 14 to May 2. 1986 - the U.S. and dozens of other Western nations will face off over a negotiating table in Geneva. When they walk away, this country will be well on the way to getting ten new AM channels, probably in 1989. If the number of stations now operating on high-end channels like 1490 kHz is an accurate gauge, the new frequencies could hold up to 1800 new stations.

At issue in the talks will be the proposed extension of the commercial radio AM band from its current upper limit, 1600 kHz, up to 1705 kHz. While the expansion has drawn little public attention, considerable debate is underway within the FCC and in some radio circles over what types of new stations should be created, and who will get the licenses.

As Docket 80-90 demonstrated. Mark Fowler's "free market" FCC isn't swayed by the argument that radio broadcasters should be protected from new competition in their own ranks. Still, those in the industry may be justified in wondering how hundreds of new AM stations will survive at a time when the band is already in deep trouble.

AM now commands only a third of all radio listening, many AMs are struggling to make ends moet, and there seems to be little buyer demand for many AM properties now on the block. New stations in the 1605-1705 range would face the additional handicap of being una-ble to reach older radio sets not equipped to pick them up.

AM Set Conversion Is Simple, Cheap

Jerry LeBow, who consults several receiver manufacturers, has some encouraging words on that score. "It's easy to add" the extra channels to sets, he says, and "the cost of doing it is almost nil." Once a firm date for broadcasting in the expanded band is known, LeBow predicts set makers will begin in adding the feature several years in advance to be ready for the new stations. And he

notes that many AM sets already pick up signals as high as 1650 kHz.

Next year's session in Geneva will develop technical criteria and a planning method for how countries will submit specific proposals for using the new spectrum when the nations meet again in 1988, when the expansion will likely receive formal approval.

One key decision already made is to treat the ten new channels as an extension of the existing hand. rather than as a separate service requiring different kinds of AM receivers. "We propose that the protection ratios, class of emission, and bandwidth of emissions should remain the same," the Commission said in January. "We believe that this would enhance the availability of receivers making this band available to the United States public in the most expeditious and least costly man-

Minority, Public Radio, Daytimer Needs

The FCC is just beginning to form its ideas for use of the new channels, but it's already clear that new station locations will be chosen according to a revised version of the "requirements list" that was used to located sites for Docket 80-90 FM drop-ins. The updated list will likely consist of communities, suggested by various groups, where there's a need for minority or public radio sta-tions, first radio service, or an upgrading of daytime-only ser-

Limited Coverage Area High On AM Band

In response to requests for comments, the Commission has received a wide range of suggestions on how the new stations should be set up. One of the main problems to be reckoned with is the fact that, high up on the AM hand. groundwave conductivity is so poor that even a high-powered station would have only a limited groundwave signal, especially at

Most commenters have seemed to favor stations similar to the current Class 3s (maximum 5 kw) or Class 4s (1 kw). However, a 1 kw station at 1655 kHz, given current interference protection. would have primary groundwave signal coverage out to only 24 miles during the day and 4.1 miles at night. At 5 kw, the figures aren't much better - 34.3 miles days, and 4.4 miles nights. Even a boost up to 50 kw, while yielding 58.2 miles during the daylight hours, would have a groundwave reach of a mere 4.8 miles at night.

With these and other problems in mind, the Commission has sought public comment on several

· Should there be a single class of stations for the expanded spec-

. If more than one class is used. should they be intermixed on the same channels?

· What power levels and protection standards should be applied, both daytime and night-

. To what degree should the technical standards be tailored to meet the needs developed for the so-called "requirements list?"

Another decision for the FCC to make is what to do about approximately 200 Traveler's Information System (TIS) stations operated by federal, state and local governments, many on 1610 kHz. They'll most likely be moved Cour. DAGE 7

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST

Dave Schmidt, 42 Chelwynne Road, Castle Hills, New Castle, DE 19720

Here is the offical NRC column which is almost as exciting as hay fever! When sending your items in, please type or neatly write, ELT, skip a line between items, one side of the paper and all that jazz. And here we go:

SPECIAL

660	WCRR	VA	RURAL RETREAT	- Station	due on	the a	ir at	the	end of	April.	(Info from
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770	WYRV	VA	CEDAR BLUFF -	Station started	RS on 3/25.	PoP due	sometime t	coward
			and of April	(DAVIDOR MIDURAL				

850	WREM	CT	RIDGEFIELD - 3/10 1210 male/female anc'r constantly ID'ing as 'AM 85 WREM Ridgefield' promotin 'The Greatest Music Ever Played' starting
			3/15, fair w/UNID. (PRM-NJ)3/9 1500-1510 series of statements by area residents talking about station. Frequent ID's, to start RS

BOSTON - First noted w/s/on 0600 3/16 w/oldles format, ex-WHUE/WSNY/ WACQ/WCOP/etc. (STAN-MA) Gee, I'd of liked to hear them when they were

1180	WFGN	SC	GAFFNEY - 3/5 0645-0700 Strong in WHAM's null w/CW music w/clustered	
			ads, ABC news on the 'Early Risers Program', ev-1570 (VC-PA)	

¹¹⁹⁰ KBCO CO BOULDER - Noted w/new calls, Album rock format, ex-KADE. (MM-CO)

FREQUENCY CHECK

lst Mon -	KQIK-1230	0300-0315	W/TT,	code ID's.	(DKK-CA)
				voice TD's	

540	KNMX	NM	LAS VEGAS -	3/4 2011-2017 (CR-IL)	good w/Mexican	ranchera	music,	Spanish tal	k
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610	WGIR	NH	MANCHESTER - 2/28 1711-1715 strong	in WIP's null w/weather, ski
			reporte enerte nove ade (ve na	

680	WDBC	ESCANABA - 3/17 1847-1902 way o/all w/Big Band music, radio promo,
		time/temp. check, ID into CBS news. Nice but verified already a few
		Vears back 1942! (VC-DA) I werified them not to long ago 10001/r

		years back1942! (KG-PA) I verified them not to long ago1968!(DS
730	UNID	3/20 1845-1900 noted 2 French speaking stations, one w/man talking,
		other w/rock music and female anc'r. One is CKAC, but who may the

740	WSVQ	TN	The same and the
			w/ID as Harrowgate/Middlesboro/Tazewell, 0600 s/on, closed w/Battle
			Hymn of the Republic. How come this is the only station on 740 w/a
			PSA? (KG-PA) Far enough away from Canada. (DS)

870	WAIS	OH	BOCHTEL - 3/1 1828-1830 end of CW music into full data s/off, (WF-IN)
870	KUUY	WI	ORCHARD VALLEY - 3/16 2350 tentative w/high school basketball playoff
			from Laramie, w/mention of teams. Also noted CW music, all u/strong WWL. (KVJ-GA)3/4 1951 fair/poor o/u WWL w/CW music, ID, gone at

		1959 pattern change. (RIGAS-IL)
WPRQ	TN	
		weather, scripture reading, s/off followed by Lords Prayer, slogan is

^{&#}x27;Power Radio for the Quad States'. (KG-PA) GREENVILLE - 3/9 1835-1840 overboard w/sports, ads, good in CBM null, March s/off should be 1830. (KG-PA)

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1457.1.1	1.44	ST TREMED -	3/9 1840-1845 o/all w/Big Band music, full data s/off (b	411
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			of several address to the second second second second	

960	WSBY	MD	SALISBURY - 3/11 1850 call in talk show mixing w/WELI, no ID but mention of Delmarva Flagsship station. (RH-NY) Flagship of what?	
			Reports of the Delmarya Chicken Fostival? (DC)	

			Transport and the	0115	Market Litt	ANITA MAIL	FEGULA	GET! ITE	
990	WCA2	TT.	CARTHAGE -	2/2/	1825 4/1	ocal no	un Th	(TV_MD)	
	44-04-110		CANALITATION	6/67	TOTO W/T	LOCAL HE	ma, iD.	(UM-MD)	

1060	PALALID	MA	MARTINE 2/4 2021 moulding	some	e		
1000	WILL	PM	NATICK 3/4 2031 mauling	Kim' mnsc. As	torgot to	switch to	nite pattern,
			abruptly gone at 2045.	(JK-MD)			

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1070	BATTATA	273	OTT DI COMPROMETTE D. 2 (0. 2022 v	
TOLO	MATCHE	V.14	CHARLOTTESVILLE - 3/9 1817 ID, ads topped thru jumble. (RH-NY)	
			the same and and anti-	

	WSCP	MX	SANDY CRE	SEK	- 3/9 1630 ID, ads, CW	music o/WXMB.	(RH-NY)
1110	WTIS	PL.	TAMPA - 3	3/2	1832-1839 way o/WBT w/'	Rock of Ages'	, album rock music as

			clustered ads.	(NG-PA)	
1130	WAMG	TN	GALLATIN - 3/12	1859 s/off w/mention of 2500 watts, owners names,	
			Continue to wire my was	TOUR OF THE MANUELLON OF TOOR MUTCH. OMINGES UNDERLY	

¹¹⁵⁰ WRUN NY UTICA - 3/11 rock oldies, local like signal, (RH-NY)

WGGH IL MARION - 3/7 1900 w/s/off anc't, w/mention of religious format.(JK-MD) WAYY WI CHIPPEWA FALLS - 3/7 1905 local news, weather into oldie, long saught WDEL just wasn't there! (JK-MD) JOHNSTON - 3/2 1823 w/RAB promo, CW music. (JK-MD) 1190 WJES SC WAVI OH DAYTON - 3/1 1730-1738+ B/Sol music, ads, promo for Busch/Central 1210 University o/WCAU. (WF-IN) WLBR PA LEBANON - 3/1 1811 o/WSPR w/local news. (RH-NY) MULLINS - 3/13 1830 good w/s/off, 1st heard eight years ago to the WJAY SC 1280 minute! (WPT-DC) DEFIANCE - 3/1 1718-1723 w/MoR/Top 40 music, ad/contest about Defiance college, promo for girls basketball game, o/WGBP w/no WMRO. (WF-IN) TABOR CITY - 3/2 1825-1829 alone w/Skoal report, full data s/off WIAB NC N AUGUSTA - 3/12 2130 overboard w/102 FM ID's and CW music, call to WGUS SC 1380 anc'r, very embarrassed and releived I wasn't the FCC, forgot to pull the 'switch'. (JK-MD) WSIZ GA OCILLA - 3/2 1809-1832 usually on top w/pop music, weather, sports. (KG) ST PETERSBURG - 3/2 1830-1840 tremendous signal, o/all w/rock music, contest promo, Q-105 ID's. (KG-PA) SHELBY - 3/10 2025 w/oldies format, ID. New owners went back to old call from WCCS per phone call. (JK-MD) MARION - 3/1 1657-1711 w/MoR/Top 40 msuic, CBS & local news, promo for 1400 WBAT IN high school basketball playoff, steady but poor o/WSJM/others. (WF-IN) NEWARK - 3/4 1821 good w/rock music, ads. (RH-NY) WACK NY DELRAY BEACH - 3/16 1845 fair/good w/ID, promo for Mystery Voice. (WPT) WIBI SC PICKENS - 3/7 1845 s/off w/mention of religious format. (JK-MD) WMIR WI LAKE GENEVA - 3/11 1727-1730 poor but steady w/ads w/many mentions of the city and SE WI. (WF-IN) 1580 WVKO OH COLUMBUS - 3/18 1855-1906 completely blocking freq. w/rock music, frequent ID's, off abruptly 1906 (legal s/off time was 1845).(KG-PA) PULASKI - 3/18 1906-1940 tentative strong w/pop music, phone # for requests, anc'd EST time as 'Music Time in the Valley', believe WPSK running overboard again. (KG-PA) WANB PA WAYNESBURG - 3/11 1846-1920+ overboard w/strong signal w/CW music, Comedy Calendar, weather, FM ID's as 'Your Kind of Country' slogan, legal March s/off is 1830. (KG-PA) 1600 WUNI WV WHEELING - 3/9, 3/10 1822-1830 o/all w/oldies, no data s/off, to return 0600 w/'more music for You and I'. (KG-PA) **MIDNITE - MIDDAY** KSFO CA SAN FRANCISCO - 3/4 0344 noted on w/new all nite program, had been off MM 0300-0700, sounds regular. (DKK-CA) Sounds like a big fire truck 590 KTHO CA S LAKE TAHOE - 3/6 0405-0425 w/pop music o/u KLSN, has been running King. May have been acct, heavy mountain snow as noted extended weather 0425-0432. (DKK-CA) 670 *KBOI ID BOISE - 3/4 0345-0405+ occasional OC/TT leaving WMAQ/Cuban, no trace of elusive KWNK. (DKK-CA) 1060 EL PASO - 3/5 0820-0830 cutting KPAY/KUKQ to pieces w/Spanish music & talk, good 'radio Kah-ma' ID. (DKK-CA) GONZALES - 3/19 0715 atop w/s/on but quickly faded to KAAY. (SHP-LA) WPKB FLORENCE - 3/21 0645-0708 good at times in WHAM null w/news, sports, 'Solid Gold' music, traffic report, ads. (KG-PA) 1190 WANN MD ANNAPOLIS - 3/12 0615-0617 s/on w/SSB, WLIB not on yet. (RH-NY) 1230 KBOV BISHOP - 3/4 0000o/din w/ID, change from KIBS. (DKK-CA) 1240 UNID 3/6 0358 someone w/King but couldn't make out ID thru din. Never heard King here before so suspect someone just picked him up. (DKK-CA) 1400 WDUZ GREEN BAY - 3/4 0026 briefly noted w/ID. (RIGAS-IL) 1430 ENDICOTT - 3/12 0713 news, weather, well o/WNJR. (RH-NY) %65#*!(BH-NJ) 1480 KPHX PHOENIX - 3/4 0443 noted atop w/fine signal in Spanish, KWUN must have been off. (DKK-CA) 1500 *KSTP ST PAUL - 3/11 0200 noted off this AM leaving Spanish. (MM-CO) 1560 KTX2 TX W LAKE HILLS - 3/18 0243-0301 rock oldies, promo as 'Austin's All Star Rock N' Roll Radio', ID, AP news. (KVJ-GA) 1580 *WPGC MD MORNINGSIDE - 3/5 0601-0613 o/all on and'd ET w/TT, music, whatever happened to FCC rules and regulations? (KG-PA) Sold at auction! (DS) **OTHERNESS** 535 WXKW 3/9 1155-1205+ this Allentown (PA) FM noted here w/fair audio, CW music, news, ad, weather. Heard of 2 different sets so not a receiver 1622 KPF941 NY YONKERS - 3/20 2235 noted back on w/S9 peaks thru much noise, now ID's as WOZI/KPF941 Yonkers Radio and gives the WOZI-Presque Isle, ME address for mail. (STARR-OH)

RANDUMBS

That's everything rec'd up til 3/20, we had to get this in the mail a bit early as we're involved in some major house projects now.

Look for some stuff from NC with the next report as we'll be down there again around 4/15 or so.

Our friend C W WILLIAMS has moved out from WETB and WJSO and is now working for an FM stationin the Evansville, IN area. Hope that all apprecaited his interest in doing the series of tests this past season.

**DIALERS DEPT. **

STARR-OH/Jerry Starr, Hubbard, OH/HQ180, Loop
SHP-LA/Stve Ponder, Bossier City, LA
KG-PA/Kermit Geary, Walnutport, PA/HQ180, R389, SM2,LW
RIGAS-IL/Christos Rigas, Chicago, IL/R2000, ICF 2002, Superadio, LW
WPT-DC/Bill Townshend, Washington, DC/DX160
DKK-CA/Don Kaskey, San Francisco, CA/HQ140X, SM2
KVJ-GA/Karl Jeter, Stone Mountain, GA
JK-MD/Joe Kureth, Uniontown, MD/SX43, LW
MM-CO/Wayne 'Mountain Man' Heinen, Aurora, CO/R390A, Loop
PRM-MJ/Paul Mount, Teaneck, NJ/TRF
WF-IN/Wendall Ford, Westville, IN/C E C AM-FM Tabletop
STAN-MA/Stan Morss, Bradford, MA/HQ180, Loop
RH-NY/Richard Harrison, New York, NY/Grundig 3400

And we'll see you all in 2 weeks! 73's - Good DX!

STATIONS "OWN" CALLS

Fuse PAGE 4 elsewhere. Cordless phones are also being cleared out. The Commission ordered that none operating between 1600 and 1705 kHz be manufactured after October 1, 1984.

Radio's two trade associations, NRBA and NAB, both have strong views on how to put the new spectrum to use. NRBA advocates using it to resolve incompatibilities left over from the 1981 international radio meetings in Rio. Under NRBA's plan, first priority would go to stations suffering interference or unable to upgrade because of foreign stations.

NAB agrees with that priority, and also recommends giving first opportunities for new stations to daytimers, minorities, and public broadcasters. NAB says that Class 1 clear channel stations are impractical because so few could be fit in, while Class 4s would suffer from "severely restricted service areas." So it suggests Class 3 fulltime staations with minimum power of 5 kw days and 1 kw nights. "Significant nighttime protection requirements would allow these new stations to provide greater service to the public," NAB suggests.

Call Letters Now Eligible For Trademark Protection

Broadcasters were handed a new weapon against confusingly similar call letters last week. A federal agency ruled that stations own their call signs and can register them as an exclusive "service mark" (a trademark for a service) that is protected against infringement. The ruling from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office reversed an earlier denial of registration for the calls WSM/Nashville.

To qualify for registration, a service mark must be owned and in use by the applicant. WSM was turned down when an examining attorney ruled that the FCC owns call letters. But the Trademark Trial adappeal Board disagreed, saying, "The FCC neither adopts nor uses call letters as service marks, so it does not own any such marks. Even prior to its new (call sign) rules, the agency did not assert ownership of call letters. It acted only as a third party to resolve disputes between two owners of the call letters, the broadcasters who actually use them."

Weapon Vs. Confusing Calls

Stations with registered calls will have a much stronger case should someone in the market adopt a similar call sign. Benefits of registration include a tripling of any damages collected, the power to force infringers to disclose profits, warning of the registration through the use of a symbol (an "R" inside a circle), and immediate access to fed-

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eral courts, which in some cases may be preferable to local or state courts.

Registration takes about a year and usually costs \$200,51000, which covers attorneys' fees and a charge of \$175 for each category in which a service in registered. A lawyer experienced in trademark law, Dow, Lohaes & Albertson partner Arnold Lutker, predicts "a fair number" of stations will register calls, and said he's familiar with one broadcast group which intends to file for each of its stations.

Technical Snafus Cost WKED \$2400

FCC inspectors who checked out WKED/ Frankfort, KY uncovered a bost of technical violations, resulting in a fine of £3400 imposed by the Mass Modia Bureau. WKED's shortcomings included improper antenna base currents, lack of control and monitoring equipment for remote operation, inaccurate remote meters, failure to conduct equipment performance measurements, and improper station power, modes, and

operating times.

In other action, the Commission fined WRUN/Utica, NY \$1500 for two violations. The station failed to maintain effective locked fences around antenna towers, and neglected to conduct a partial anterna proof of performance at least every three years, plus a skeleton proof in years when no partial proof was performed.



540 KHZ Delta, Utah 8467:

INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

Chuck Hutton, 437 Hardendorf Ave., Atlanta, GA 30307

Times are GMT For ELT substract 5 hours. Deadline: Monday

And the rest of the Kazaross Report that started issue before last.....

- 700 BRAZIL OTH unknown fair with little QRM! at 0021 2/12 // net with pp talk. The Beverages sure help the ZY's when cx are good! (Kaz)
- 702 ANGDLA Luanda to fair peaks // 1088 w/mellow instrumental mx accompanied by woman vocalist, PP woman anner 0337-0341 2/13. Peak good-very good at 0355 // 944 and 1088 w/light, rhythmic Afro mx, man and woman PP anners mentioning Angola. (Kaz)
- 746t KENYA Nairobi very poor audio w/747 het notched. Mx noted 0310-0312 10/15. Varrier is often noted here and comes on between 0251 and 0255. Carrier noted 2105 Saturday 11/12 and went off shortly after. Listed Saturday s/off is 2110. This comes in best on the 50 degree Beverage which makes sense since bearing is 78 degrees. Was common in October and November but rarely audio. Only occasional carrier in December/January. Carrier again several times in February; only traces of audio-still too weak! (Kaz)
- 747 NAMIBIA Gobabis-I checked prior to 2400 2/11 as 594 was heard and had only a SAH u/Ougadougou which s/off at 0000. Just a carrier in QRN from winter rain storm until 0153 2/12 when soft woman vocal peaked poor-fair // 594, 3270, 3295. Namibia not heard next night even though Angolans were much better. ABout 7200 miles distant! (Kaz)
- 760 BRAZIL Fortaleza ZYH588 tuned into R. Uiraperu ID fair-good 2302 10/8. (Kaz)
- 827 MDRDCCD Oujda per report in DXWW2 this did move to 827 but only briefly. It is now back on 828 and once again generates vicious het w/Libya 827. Was generally u/Libya w/FF woman talk 0103-0107 10/16. It runs // 819 some but not all of the time. 819 always AA (at least at night). (Kaz)
- 830 BRAZIL QTH unid-a new channel for ZY's here, poor // 840, 860 etc. On peaks it mixed with YVLT (which isn'y terribly strong here) w/PP talk 0009, 0013 2/12. Max listed power in 84 WRTH is 500 watts-perhaps a new stn. (Kaz)
- 840 BRAZIL OTH unid poor, mixing u/St. Lucia // 830, 860, 700, 1200, 1220, 610. 620, 690 etc. w/PP talk during xlnt cx 0008 2/12. (Kaz)
- 891 PORTUGAL Faro noted w/PP talk u/Algeria at 2202 10/14 then it rose clearly atop until 2204. Also later at 2232-2234 mixed with Algeria before the Algerian superpower buried it. This stn is the asource of low growl often noted with Algeria. (Kaz)
- 900 ITALY Milano poorfair generally o/Canadian w/cl mx // 846 0344 10/15.
 Briefly noted slightly atop // 846 w/cl mx and vocals 0043 10/16. (Kaz)
- 914 SURINAM Paramaribo boogvery good w/unusual format of T40 mx 0022 0/9.
 Best since last season. (Kaz)
- 918 UNID African suspected per cx and antenna. Pop mx poor 22272228 10/8 and then overtaken by 920 slop. (Kaz)
- 944 ANGOLA Luanda to good peak // 1088 (also good) w/pop hit "Man From Brazil" 00170020 10/9. 1367 // not in. Listed // channel of 702 had carrier only. This well after 702 Morocco's 2300 s/off and carrier cut. (Kaz) In at 2130 2/11 with poor signal. Nicely audible // 702 and 1086 w/mellow songs, PP woman anner then light tempo rhythmic Afro mx 0335-0355 2/13. At least a carrierr (nonTVI) here most nights. (Kaz)
- 945 UNID in good Afro cx w/mx 2226 w/Angola 944 het notched. At 2301 10/8 noted ending 30 seconds of NA (not France) singing accompanied by in struments. Maybe Sao Tome. Does anybody have a tape of the nowdefunct 4807 Sao Tome anthem from 2300 s/off? I must keep after this one. (Kaz) Sure don't but that shouldn't be hard to get considering the number of people that heard the SWChuck
- 960 BERMUDA Hamilton to xlt peaks well o/SS and weak domestic GRM w/ZFB ID's by man and woman and program schedule mentioning many religious programs 00310035 10/9 in semiaurroral cx. (Kaz)
- 963 NORTH SEA good with British EE jock mentioning "on Caroline", good, rock mx 0513 10/15. (Kaz)
- 981 ALGERIA Algiers fairgood w/LV de la Resistancia Chilena pgm in SS with Radio Algeria ID's and fanfare 00180020 10/13. (Kaz)
- 990t SPAIN the likely source of SS talk here on TA Beverage well u/CBY and taken out by WYNR fadeup 2236 10/9. Two 10 km ers listed. (Kaz)
- 999 UNID African carrier. I suspect Cameroon and this was in prior to 2300 but gone at 2303 recheck just like // 4972. Not on TA Beverage at 60 degrees and not Spain which when it is nonauroral is loud on that Beverage. This thing is noted almost everytime Africans are enhanced but no clear audio has yet to make it. (Kaz)

- 1017 MOROCCO Tanger poor w/FF talk then mx // 594. 1044 and 1053 were superb at the time 2150 10/17. Listed as 1 kw but right on the coast. (Kaz)
- 1034 GUINEA BISSAU to fair peaks past WBZ slop and 1035 het w/lively mx //
- 1052t LIBYA Tripoli presumed source of definite TT clobbering 1053 Moroccan 0404 10/15. Heard last year w/AA. (Kaz)
- 1070 FRENCH GUYANA Cayenne fair // 3385 w/piano mx mixed w/YVMA at 2033 then both lost to Cuban fadeup // 1060, 2/13. (Kaz)
- 1079.6 SPAIN SS here peaked almost as good as WTIC briefly 2217 10/9 and audible for better part of 15 minutes w/what sounded like SER nx through the horrible low growl/het. "Espana" mentioned and only in on TA Beverage. Noted up to 1079.7 at 23212324 10/11 w/talk in SS and growl. The 150 degree Beverage had no trace of this and the YV was in u/WTIC on that Beverage. European memberswho's here? (Kaz)
- 1088 ANGOLA Luanda fading in at 2115 2/11 w/audio; early time for mid-February. Peaked up to good listening level // 702 and 944 suring xlnt opening 03350355 2/13. (Kaz)
- 1006 CAMEROON Douala quite poor w/1107 het notched w/African high-life mx //
 very strong 4795 2223-2224 10/8. Also poor w/more GRM from Spain 1107
 2241 10/9 w/similar rhythmic, lively Afro mx. Carrier has been in many
 times on Afro Beverage when Afro cx are good. (Kaz)
- 1116 ITALY Bari fair with II talk 0457 10/15. Very good-xint w/no ORM at early time of 2107 10/30 w/II man and woman anners. Later noted as // 846. (Kaz)
- 1170 PORTUGAL Vila Real fair // 1062 w/romantic PP song atop channel 2238
 10/14. Poor-fair and dominant w/WWVA phased // 1035 w/disco song 00520054 10/31. (Kaz) To x1nt peaks!! 2229-2234 w/PP anner and mx // 1062
 and 1035. Was atop domestic QRM even when it faded. New England daytimers were already off and WWVA had not arrived yet. On 10/9 poor-fair
 2253-2255 // 1035, 1062 w/PP talk thru several others. Occasionally
 through WWVA phase null w/same song as 1035 2335 10/12 but with SS LA
 QRM, probably usual HJNW. (Kaz)
- 1188 MOROCCO Casablanca poor // 1197 w/lively mx, FF anner thru CHTN slop 2226 10/9. Bill Bailey heard this last season and I've been after it ever since. XInt TA cx at sunset tonight! (Kaz)
- 1260 SPAIN thru WEZE and well u/CIHI w/SER net nx // 792 0332 10/15. (Kaz) 1278 FRANCE Strasbourg poor // 675 and 164 with pips 0004 10/13. Is this AN
 - 78 UNID TT here o/France 0511 10/15, soon faded. (Kaz)
- 1280 BRAZIL Rio de Janeiro ZYH455 mixed w/domestics 0046 2/12 // 1220, etc.
- 1296 SUDAN Sennar finally on GP channel with NA at s/off 2201-2201:30 10/12. Same NA as last season on 1295. (Kaz)
- 1300 BRAZIL OTH unid poor, mixed w/domestic GRM w/the dominant domestic phased out 0039-0043 with PP talk // net. (Kaz)
- 1305 UNID cl mx o/growl was not // 254 Algeria. Maybe Poland (1503 plays lots of cl mx) 0507 10/15. (Kaz)
- 1314 SPAIN-listened across the hour at 0000 10/13; very good peaks with SS man and woman anners after T40 mx. However, no ID. (Kaz)
- 1325 MDROCCO Safi still of GP channel-poor signal // 774 (774 o/Spain at the time) at 2125 2/11. First time audible this year; was heard well occasionally last season. (Kaz)
- 1332 MADEIRA Funchal first and only time heard 2219-2224 10/12 poor with choral mx // 603 etc. Italy was on top at 2219, faded under Madeira at 2221 and back on top at 2223 with 1.5 Hz SAH. (Kez)
- 1350 FRANCE Nice/Nancy under about 4 domestics; FF man // 164, 675 into EE
 T40 song 0438-0442 10/15. Great TA cx. (Kaz)
- 1367 SENEGAL St. Louis // 1304 w/FF talk and single pip on the hour 2200 10/12. Please note that Connelly's reported receptions of these on 368 and 1305 are actually on 1367 and 1304. With no readout in a car rx, Mark would have no way of knowing this. (Kaz)
- 1404 FRANCE synchros poor-fair // 1377 and 1206 with FF talk followed by choral mx 0434-0435 10/15. (Kaz)
- 1530 VATICAN nicely o/WCKY w/IS 0258-0300 10/15. Well o/WCKY w/choral singing 0545 12/29 with flutter fades. Good high end cx. (Kaz)
- 1539 SPAIN Valladolid fair-good o/slop with teletalk in SS mentioning Valladolid 2206 10/12. 0614 12/29 SS fair in WPTR slop // loud 1584. (Kaz)
- 1548 ENGLAND poor-fair w/TC by woman "It's 4 o'clock" then BBC pips. No local ID copied. WPTR slop greatly hinders reception on this channel even after CBE is off. 0400 10/15 w/TG's all over the dial. (Kaz)
- 1566 AZORES Vila de Porto rose atop Tunisia at 2152 10/12 w/PP song. Tunisia back atop at 2155. Both to very good peaks. Azores not heard much on 1566 this season unlike last year when it was regular. (Kaz)
- 617 UNID domestic pirate noted here with Greek Mx 0036-2042 10/1. On 10/9

530 COSTA RICA Cartago TICAL SS man with sports pgm about futbol en Costa Rica w/interviews to 0417; ID "Esta es Rumbo" promo w/march mx; ads and MoR LA mx at 0422; QRM from "NB" beacon 2/20, fair. (Frodge)

531 ALGERIA Ain Beida 3/11 at 0300 weak o/SAH w/AA mx // 549. (Connelly)

549 ALGERIA 3/10 0328 AA singing, xlnt. (Connelly)

558 FIJI 3/16 Fijian talk 0750. Improving South Pacific conditions these days as winter approaches there. (Wood)

576 ALGERIA Bechar 3/11 at 0258 poor w/AA talk by man. (Connelly)

580 PUERTO RICO WKAG San Juan SS man with news, remotes, promo "La Gran Noticias", nx to 0419 then commentary; many ID jingles 0412 3/9, fair. (Frodge)

660 CUBA CMEB R. Progresso, Santa Clara 3/15 0500 formal end of day's programming, time check for midnight, into next day's pgm. Power of 10 kw listed in WRTH 1985 seems about right. Clear after HRN s/off. (Wood)

660 HONDURAS La Ceiba listed; 3/15 0500 full ID and s/off without anthom.

Contrary to WRTH 1985 which no longer even lists the name HRN, used only that ID at s/off. To judge from strength and from abscence of a // on (fairly clear) 670, I suspect the main Tegucigalpa transmitter has moved from 670 to 660. Any comments from Thomas or others? Dominant; revealed Cuba after s/off. (Wood) 660 has been better than 670 or 680 forever here.....Chuck

666 PORTUGAL Lisboa 3/11 0301 man reading nx in PP-signal fair to good. Many hets were noted at the time throughout the lower part of the band from Iberian peninsula and North African stns. If I'd used the HO180A or R390A, many more loggings would have resulted. Belmont definitely beats

Billerica for DX from the mouth of the Mediterranean area. (Connelly) JAMAICA Montego Bay JBC 3/13 0657 reggae, 0700 Jamaican-accented DJ, into soul and rock, promo'ed his show as running 11:30 PM to 5 AM daily, M-F. ID "On the new one" (Radio One of JBC). Checked other JBC channels but no sign. A little WLW and a latin, perhaps Colombia, at times but mostly good. Country #68 and unexpected. (Wood)

747 JAPAN JUIB Sapporo 2nd net w/man in JJ very good at 1100 time pips 3/26. (Heinecken)

765 SIEGALL R. Bzzz w/native music for IP's in NW Ohio, good over WJR when

using inverted, V fed, Beveraged, shunt fed dipole, over half. (Vobbe)

765 SENEGAL Dakar only fair thru WABC splatter w/man in vernacular 2314-2320

3/19. (DeLorenzo)

770 COLOMBIA RCN Bogota HJKH 3/14 0435-0500 RCN nx pgm, reporters checked in from various cities and gave their license numbers after their reports. WRTH 65 has switched R. Tequendama, formerly listed on 770, with Emisora Nueva Granada, formerly on 610; no name ID heard, only RCN network.

Comments? (Wood) I could not verify the switch-Chuck
774 INDIA Simla 3/16 1620 tabla mx, North Regional services // 1395. Simla
is a "hill station" in the Himalayas. My first Indian catch below 1071
KHz. Quite good. (Wood)

774 JAPAN JOUB Akita 2nd net w/two men talking in JJ 1113-1130 3/26.

774 SPAIN synchros 3/10 0350 SS talk to fair peaks through WABC slop. (Connelly)

790 CUBA Radio Reloj?? only "RR" CW heard u/local WSGW; Reloj confirmed by a

WV DX'er 0226 3/9, poor. (Frodge)

820 COLOMBIA R. Bolivar HJAD 3/15 0435 typical ID "Somos profesionales, somos R. Bolivar. Somos Todelar, lo moderno en radio". Promo for reporter from baseball training camps in Florida. Excellent, dominant over WBAP. (Wood) SS man with futbol promo; man with sports interviews and call-ins; sports program continued to 0330 then LA mx w/many promos; taking turns w/WBAP-WAIT-CMBU 0228 3/9, fair. (Frodge)

828 JAPAN JOBB Osaka 2nd net w/pgm // 747 and 774 easily separated from WCCO 3/26 1135. (Heinen)

870 COLOMBIA Barranquilla Mar Caribe HJSB 3/14 0900 rooster crows, wake-up

show, tropical mx, over/under KAIM. (Wood) 875 KOREA PDR Wonsan 3/15 1630 Pyongyang ID in Korean, almost Soviet-

890 Sounding instrumental mx, a kind never heard from South Korea. (Wood)
WINDYCITY Music Radio; new station never heard here before. Talk from
0300 to 0600 CST w/anner Steve Doll. Usually hear WLS with Top 40 music-

891 ALGERIA Algiers 3/11 0312 fair w/AA moaning. (Connelly) Good w/AA vocal 2255-2259 3/19; squeezed out by WLS at 2259. (DeLorenzo)

920 ECUADOR Machala CRO HC.. 3/17 0807 full s/off text, said it would return at 5:30 local (=1030), "Gloria a ti" anthem, off 0810. Dominant, as so ofter here. (Wood) CONTINIED PAGE 30

FORMATS

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Once again we have a small column. In fact, it has all been "donated" by Pete Nolan, Evolutions Editor, of Galveston, TX. Thanks, Pete. And for the rest of you, in a word, contribute?" Here we go.......

610			Birmingham	- Now CWM.
	WGIR	NH	Manchester	- Drops Ad. Con. for NX/TLK.
630	KJNO		Juneau	- CIM.
770	WAIS		Buchtel	- New station, w/ CWM.
790	KXTC		Clovis	- Now silent.
860	WOAY	WV	Oak Hill	- Drops CHR for REL/Gos.
870	WPRQ	TN	Colonial Hgts.	- New, station, with religion as a start up format.
900	WKJK	NC	Granite Falls	- Drops CWM for REL/GOS.
	WTOF	OH	Canton	- Ex-MNYN, w/ Ad. Con., now REL.
920	WHHI	SC	Orangeburg	- Ex-WKSD, CWM, now Black Programming.
930	WSOC	NC	Charlotte	- CWMremember when the WSOC call was on 1220,in
				North Syracuseas the Sound of Quality
950	KKIC	ID	Meridan	- Silent
990	KTKT	AZ	Tucson	- Transstar Satellite Ad. Con. (And another #1 Rock Station
				from the '60's changes formats!!)
1030	KHWY	CA	Folsom	- New Station, CWM.
1070	K JKK	WV	Beckley	- Goes CWM, "K-Country 11".
1110	KISD	WA		- New, Ad. Con.
1130	WAIZ	MS		- Ex-WGUF, NX/TLK., now CWM.
1140	WKZF		Hazel Green	- Ex-WIXC, now CWM.
1170	WACV	AL		- Ex-WCOV, now with MYL format.
1230	WISV	NH	Claremont	- Drops Ad. Con for CWM.
1240	KYOR		Globe	- Now silent
1270	KSCB	KS	Liberal	- Now CWM.
1360	KAMT	WA	Tacoma	- Now Album Rock. (AOR).
1390	KCEY	CA	Turlock	- SMN Stardust.
1400	KCCK	WA	Goldendale	- New, CWM.
	KPNA	WA	Tacoma	 Now Silentas I remember, this was ex-KTNT, owned in the 1960's by the Tacoma News Tribune (TF).
1440	WLXN	KY	Lexington	- EX-WBUY, now REL/GOS.
1450	WSYY	ME	Millinocket	- EX-WMKR, Ad. Con., now "Sunny 98", simulcasts with FM.
1430	WPAM	PA		- Drops CHR for Stardust Adult Standards.
1460	WRIL	IL	Rantoul	- MYL.
1470	WHO CL	PA		- Ex-WRML, with CWM, now Ad. Con.
1570	WVVW	WV	St. Mary's	- New, mix of REL and CWM.
1310			oct they o	

Well, that is it for this time. Several interesting changes, continuing the trend to paid religion or CWN, when a lot of red ink shows up in the books. Thanks, again, Pete, for sharing your info with the members.....and for the rest of you, let us all hear what is new on YOUR dial!!!!!!

73's... /2

SPORTS NETWORKS

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One/two networks this week, courtesy of Richard E. Berg-Andersson. Baseball coming soon.

Madison Square Garden Radio Network: NY Knicks (NBA) and NY Rangers (NHL)

930 WPAT-NJ 1230 WFAS-NY 1300 WQBK-NY 98.3 WSUL-NY

950 WIBX-NY 1240 WGBB-NY 1340 WALL-NY

Craig Healy, 66 Cove Street, Pawtucket, RI 02861 Times are GMT 1600-1800 KHz Range

Deadline: Last Sat. of Month _______

April 1985...Loggings:

GUATEMALA Rabinal 0931 1/25 RAB (Neal) ??? 2300 2/23 KA83348 poor w/ 3 IDs every 3 mins. (White) 1619.5 ??? 0934 1/25 UBT (Neal) NEW YORK Yonkers 0215 3/4 KPF-941 Fair w/ male annor, and oldies. QSL received already for this! (Demmitt) ??? 0459 1/24 KA81126 (Nea1) PAPUA NEW GUINEA OK Tedi?? 1927 3/4 OKT not listed but possibly ??? 2050 2/22 BRNJ good w/ continuous IDs (White) 1632 ??? 2009 2/23 BRN good w/ continuous IDs (White) ??? 2113 2/24 RRP fair w/ continuous IDs (White) ??? 0442 1/24 HSN (Neal) ??? 0246 3/12 R372 weak w/ beacon format (Ramsey) ??? 0247 3/12 R110 fair w/ beacon format (Ramsey) 1637 ??? 0245 3/12 S446 fair w/ ID every 5 mins. (Ramsey) ??? 0330 1/31 KA83901 (Neal) 1647 ??? 0929 1/25 KA83M, also w/ dash 0450 1/24 (Neal) COLOMBIA Mercaderes 0936 1/25 MER (Neal) 1684 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Mount Hagen 1929 3/4 MH (Thew) 1689 ??? 0926 1/25 E396 (Neal) ??? 0323 1/31 KA83756 (Neal) ??? 1980 2/23 Carrier pulsing 80 times/minute. Each pulse seemed to be divided into about 5-10 parts. (White) ??? 2022 3/4 2AAV (Thew)

Credits:

1784

John Demmitt Bellefonte, PA Receiver, Antenna W. Hartford, CT ICOM R-71A, 60' LW, TUN-3 John Ramsey Mt. Lawley, Western Australia FRG-7700, FRT-7700, random wire Eric Thew Sam Neal Cleveland, TX TS930S, 132' vert., 5 beverages-SE, E, NE, NW, W Thomas White Arlington, VA Receiver, Antenna

??? 1941 3/4 2AAW and dash (Thew)

The FCC has stopped taking applications for broadcast station remote pickup stations on 1606, 1622, and 1646 kHz. This is in preparation for the deletion of the service in this part of the band, due to the coming expansion to 1700.

John Demmitt's logging on 1622 is interesting. It appears that they are going to run the thing every now and then. I should have requested a test from them earlier in the year. Getting too noisy now.

Top End Yearbook is still available for First Class postage and a couple of loggings. About 400 listings and very handy!

Coming unplugged

Station manager Marty Rowe and sports-caster Brett Buckwalter were in for a rude awakening when they reported for work at MADAM In Everett, Wash, early on the morning of Jan. 28. Someone had made off with most of their radio station overnight.
"We had to hustle, but we got back on [the

air]," Rowe told a local newspaper reporter, explaining the theft of about \$80,000 worth of electronic equipment from the facility. Kear, which had signed off at midnight Sunday, returned to the air only 82 minutes late, utilizing a mobile broadcast studio left untouched in the intrusion. Later, KWYZIAM Everett loaned some studio equipment to the station. Kake recently changed its call letters from KREDIAM and had planned to replace much of its old equipment when it moved to new studios in downtown Everett next month. However, Rowe said the their included much of the \$35,000 worth of new gear being stored in anticipation of the move. The main studio, newsroom, and production booth were described as "left practically bare" by the burglary, which Everett police are investigating

"It wasn't done by 12- or 13-year-olds." Buckwalter summed up. They knew what they were doing."

Britain To Get More Radio Outlets

Britain's first low-power community or neighborhood radio stations may be on the air by the end of this year, following a World Administrative Radio Conference decision to extend the VHF waveband. which the British government is expected to approve in a few weeks.

But any proposal to finance Community Radio (CR) from public funds is certain to be opposed by both BBC, which operates 32 local radio stations, and the 43 indic stations, which depend on ad revenue

and are themselves struggling for survival.

The Greater London Council has already earmarked £600,000 (\$654,000) for four CRs in the capital, including for minority ethnic groups. The federal government hopes other municipalites will follow suit. Alternative financing (via subscriptions, grants etc.), is also being pondered.

The figure printed below is taken from a paper recently published in the journal Solar Physics. The sunspot number for the next two cycles has been predicted using a "nonlinear oscillator model". The interesting result is that the upcoming solar cycle may be the lowest in the last 260 years. In addition, the next two solar cycle minima should be very low compared with the last two cycles. Both of these results could have interesting implications for radio propagation during the next .25 years. This type of model is still quite controversial but it will be interesting to see how well it reflects

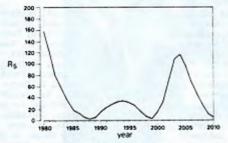


Fig. 5. Annual mean sunspot numbers, R., forecast with the nonlinear oscillator model. The forecast is averaged from a number of simulation runs with small parameter variations.

From: D.P. Gregg, A nonlinear solar cycle model with potential for forecasting on a decadal time scale, Solar Physics, 90, 185-194, 1984.

> Richard Eckman Boulder, CO

FCC Asks Congress For \$50 Million In Station Fees

The FCC this week asked Congress to approve a schedule of "administrative fees" that would collect \$50 million a year from broadcasters and applicants. Most of the fees cover applications and facilities changes, but every commercial radio station would have to pay an annual fee ranging from \$150 to \$1250. If approved, the fees will probably go into effect sometime in 1986.

The proposal may provoke strong oppocition from broadcast trade groups because unlike past fee schedules accepted by the industry but never. passed by Congress this one contains no deregulatory benefits as a tradeoff for the

A previous fee program operated by the Commission was struck down by the courts in the 1970s because it wasn't specifically authorized by Congress. As a result, the FCC was forced to refund \$50 million - \$33 million of it to radio stations - that it had collected improperly between 1970 and 1977.

So-called "cost of regulation" fees cleared the Senate with little or no comment in 1981 and again in 1983 as part of larger broadcast deregulation bills. Those levies never became law, however, because neither of the bills ever passed the House.

Fees Adjusted For Inflation Under the FCC's new proposal, the fees would be adjusted at least every two years

AMs over 5 kw Annual Fee - \$800 Class A FMs AMs 1-5 kw Arnual Fee - \$200 AMs under 1 kw Assignment & transfer Application (sale) - \$600 New & major change CPs: Application - \$375 Hearing charge - \$6000 Grant fee - triple annual fee

Arnual Fee - \$1250

Class B FMs

Class C FMs

to reflect any change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The Commission would be authorized to impose a 25% late payment penalty, and to waive payments for an entire category if that would serve the public in-

FCC Chairman Mark Fowler told a House Appropriations Subcommittee this week (3-5) that the Commission drew up and sub-

mitted the new plan at the request of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Although revenues would depend on volume of applications, Fowler estimated the program could pay for 54% of the Commis-sion's proposed fiscal year 1986 budget of \$92.3 million. An additional \$1.6 million a year and 45 positions would be needed to administer the program.

The FCC's 1986 budget request represents a cut of \$1.3 million over the current fiscal year (which ends September 30) and calls for a total 1835 staff positions. That's 17 more than this year, but 140 fewer than the agency's 1984 workforce. The Commission is also asking Congress for \$1.8 million to supplement staff pay for the current fiscal

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DX TEST RECEPTION REPORTS

As of Narch 8, 1985

Raymond Arruda Eric Bueneman Thomas Connatser Ernest Cooper G. Harley DeLeurere* Karl Forth Kermit Geary* (t) Rob Gerardi* (t) Bob Harrison Pat Hartlage Wayne Heinen John Herman* Henry Holbrook* Tom Jasinski* Chuck Kaufman Tom Laskowski* John Malicky* Greg Myers Timothy Noonan Christos Rigas Ken Ronstadt* David Schweikart Charles Spellman Jerry Starr* (t) James Wallace* Roger Winsor*

Acushnet, Massachusetts Hazelwood, Missouri Sevierville, Tennessee Provincetown, Massachusetts Hendricks, West Virginia Chicago, Illinois Walnutport, Pennsylvania Benton, Illinois Union, New Jersey Louisville, Kentucky Aurora, Colorado Vinita, Oklahoma Chevy Chase, Maryland Shorewood, Illinois Lebanon, Ohio West Lafayette, Indiana Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Richmond, Virginia Milwaukee, Wisconsin Chicago, Illinois Toledo, Ohio Fairfax, Virginia Baltimore, Maryland Youngstown, Ohio Bellaire, Ohio Champaign, Illinois

* reported reception of 4.0 watt signal - tone only (t) supplied audio tape

N.B.: Jim DeVan wishes to thank these 26 DX'ers who reported reception of his DX Test of February 25th. Gold verification certificates and information packets have been sent to all reporters. It is amazing that the 4.0 watt PSA signal was heard at distances up to 700 miles against the 50-kilowatt signals of KXEL and WPTR.

AM Birth Control May End

Washington DC ... The Commission has proposed repealing the so-called "AM birth control measures," which place restrictions on the filing of certain

The rules, comprising Section 73.37e, excluded otherwise acceptable applications for new AM stations and major changes in existing AM stations, unless those stations would bring service to unserved or underserved areas.

Also, the rule allowed minority or public radio stations to file for certain clear channels, even if they did not meet otherwise applicable restrictions, the FCC said.

In the proposal, the Commission said it had developed the rule at a "much earlier stage ... when it was necessary to preserve opportunities for stations in underserved areas of the country.

Taking into account the "maturity" of AM radio across the country, the FCC said it questioned the continued demand for additional AM service in the remaining eligible communities.

Commentors in the proceeding said the rules made it difficult for daytimers to apply for full-time AMs. NAB agreed that the Commission should eliminate



Strong Signals

WZAL Reaches Fifteen States During Radio Test Broadcast

By Leslie Fritz Neighbor Staff Writer

Radio enthusiasts from all over the country tuned in last month to a "test" broadcast on Henry County's WZAL radio, said station manager

Jim DeVan. WZAL's special broadcast was beard in cities as far away as Denver. Colo. and Provincetown, Mass., DeVan said.

He reported that the McDonough station received 26 written reports and three cassette tapes of the broadcast from listeners in 15

"In February, our station was approached by the National Radio Club," DeVan said. "They asked us to operate for an hour or so between midnight and 6 a.m. so that club members whose hobby it is to "DX," or listen for distant stations, could try to tune in WZAL

DeVan explained that WZAL is licensed to operate as a daytime station, but that the Federal Communications Commission does allow test broadcasts from midnight to 6 a.m., provided that they are done noncommercially and on an irregular basis.

We selected Feb. 25 as the date of the broadcast, and the time was publicized to National Radio Club members in their weekly newsletter," he said.

He continued, "I set my alarm for about 12:45-1 only live about two and a half miles away-and went down to the station and played records for an hour and 15 minutes.

DeVan played easily recognizable music, including selections such as Frank Sinatra's "New York, New York," Bobby Darrin's "Mack the Knife," and recent popular music, as well as "The Stars and Stripes Forever" and "Dixie."

JIM DEVAN LISTENS TO TAPES OF BROADCASTS SENT BY US ENERS WZAL Tested A Strong Night Signal And Receives Numerous Responses

"I wouldn't ordinarily play 'Dix- explained DeVan. se," said DeVan, "but the idea" "Even though the lowa station is during one of these test broadcasts not heard well here, our being on the

and "tone sweeps," a varying tone noted signal that sounds like a cross "W

more distant DXers were only able to hear the tone," observed DeVan.

"For some reason, a woman's voice giving the station identification seems to cut through interference better than a man's voice does," he remarked.

"WZAL would like to be able to broadcast at night all the time, but because 1540 is a clear channel used by a 50,000 watt station in Iowa, we must leave the air at surset."

is to play easily identifiable songs." air could create interference since Between song selections, DeVan AM radio waves travel much farther played station identification tapes at night than during the day," he

"We daytimers have a national between a sires and the Emergency
Broadcast System test.
"The tones seem to cut through
all the interference, and some of the
Van.

The station issued a special acknowledgement certificate to all those who wrote in response to the special broadcast.

DeVan explained that DXers collect certificates, letters and other memorabilia from the stations that they hear and to whom they write.

WZAL received letters from listeners in New Jersey, Wisconsin, Illinois, Massachusetts, Missouri, Virginia, Maryland and Indiana.



STATION PROFILE

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The original permit to broadcast was granted in 1924 to the M.F. Broz Furniture, hardware and radio company located at 13918 Union Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The call letters were WDBK when it went on the air May 15, 1924 for an unbroken term of operation for one month to September of 1924.

The M.F. Broz Furniture, Hardware, and Radio Company was replaced as owners by Stanley J. Broz who moved the broadcast location to the Boltan Square Hotel on Carnegie Avenue in Cleveland from 1925 to 1927, WDBK transmitted from the Boltan Square Hotel using the slogan "Broadcasting from Cleveland".

In July of 1927, Mr. Stanley Broz sold his interest in the station to a Mr. W. F. Jones who operated an automobile agency in Akron, Ohio. The change-over required an interuption in transmission (September and October of 1927) while the stations location was transferred to the Akron Becon Journal Building in Akron, Ohio. When broadcasting resumed in November of 1927 WDBK had become WFJC.

So it was to reamin until September of 1930 when Mr. Jones sold out to a Mr. George A. Richards, owner of WGAR Broadcasting Company. Under Mr. Jones' proprietorship, WFJC had it's wattage increased from 250 to 500 watts.

On December 15th, 1930, WFJC was returned to Cleveland airwaves under it's new identification of WGAR (for its owner, George A. Richards). Operating initially under the license granted WCSO, a station WFJC had to share broadcast time previously.

It was under the WCSO license that WGAR commenced broadcasting from the 14th floor of the Statler Hotel Building at 12th and Euclid Avenue, Cleveland. It has two 100 foot towers and counter-poise.

Adding to the equipment assembly was a Western Electric 6-B transmitter. Power remained at 500 watts but the new transmitter was capable of one kilowatt. This was in 1931. Changes came rather rapidly after that. Seven months later in August of 1931, the station was again relocated to Harvard Avenue, Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio, with two new towers and "I" type antenna. In April of the following year, the "I" type antenna was replaced by a single wire vertical antenna. One year after the move back to Cleveland, in December of 1932, the wattage was doubled to 1000 watts. By December of 1935, the occasion of it's fifth amniversary in operation, WGAR was affiliated nationally with NBC Blue Network and had adquired a new 385 foot Truscon vertical radiating antenna.

By 1936, WGAR had co-affiliated with the Mutual Broadcasting Company (later to drop them both). On September 26, 1937 WGAR affiliated with the Columbia Broadcasting System. In 1938 they raised the daytime power to 5000 watts and the nightime power to 1000 watts. Concurrent with their power increase the staton installed a Truscon directional antenna system. The towers were 485 and 150 feet respectively.

The war years and the years immediately thereafter saw even more growth and change. In 1941 the frequency changed from 1480 to 1450 kilocycles to eventually become 1220 kc. in 1944. On July 4, 1977 the wattage was increased to 50,000 watts.

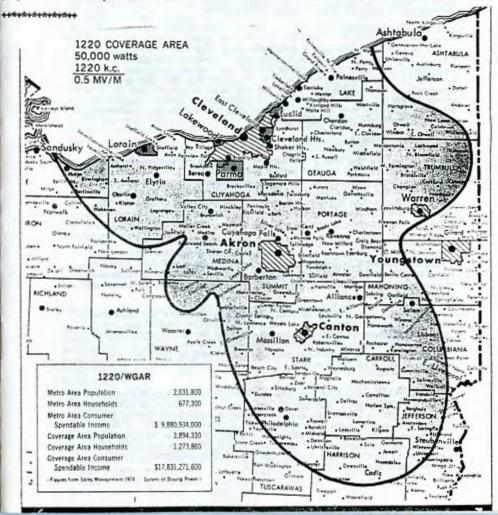
The overseer of all of these changes, the owner, Mr. George Richards died in 1951. Three years later, WGAR was purchased by the Nationwide Insurance Company for a reported \$1,700,000. The new owners (under a subsidiary corporation known as Peoples Broadcasting Company) operated

the station with relatively little change from 1954 to 1962.

In 1962 WGAR terminated it's affiliation with CBS after nearly twenty five years. After a brief fling with NBC, it signed on with ABC in 1965. In 1970, the entire operation, both the studio and transmitter were combined at Broadview Heights, Ohio. Aside from the studio building, here is located the station's five tower array. From the base of each of the 200 foot towers, in the shape of a rhumboid, extends a group system of 120 wires, each 300 feet long, buried a foot below the surface. The entire ground system contains 34 miles of copper wire.

It had characterized itself as the "oldies" music station, WGAR continued to operate under the same managers with the new name of Nationwide Communications Inc. As of 1983 it has maintained it's relationship with ABC though now as it's "country cousin".

Many many thanks to Robert Reymount - director of engineering at WGAR AM and FM for providing this information. And close friends James D. Thompson and D. Kirk Kidner, in helping in the preparation of this profile.



Mark Connelly -- WALION DX Labs -- 29 JAN 1985

Often technical articles in the DX press mention a parameter known as "Q"; seldom is there any mathematical description of what this quantity is — the DXer reading the article usually does get the idea that Q has something to do with selectivity, be it of a receiver, a loop antenna, or of a preselector / tuner used on random length wires. Q is also mentioned with regards to coils: a coil with higher Q allows greater selectivity and gain when used in a tuned circuit than does a coil with low Q. "Q spoiling" is also mentioned, chiefly with regards to tuned circuits employed in phasing systems. This may confuse some — (why, after all, should we want to spoil Q? .. doesn't that reduce gain & selectivity?) Hopefully, when you finish this article and get a chance to run the BASIC program contained therein, some of these questions will be answered.

What is Q, anyway?

The letter Q, derived from Quality Factor, is applied to a parameter which describes the efficiency of a tuned LC (inductor / capacitor) tank circuit, an assemblage of several such circuits (as in a filter), or a single inductive element to be used in a tuned circuit. Capacitors use a similar loss-describing parameter (D, Dissipation Factor) but, as capacitors are generally several orders of magnitude less lossy than inductors in tank circuits used at frequencies below 30 MHz, their loss contributions won't be dealt with in this article.

Q of a single inductor

Q of a single inductor is calculated by Q = (F * L) / (R * 159.15495), where F is in kHz, L is in microhenries (UH), and R is in chms. Conversely, effective resistance of an inductor may be calculated by R = (F * L) / (Q * 159.15495). A J. W. Miller * 9258-224 (228 UH molded inductor), with a listed Q of 55 at 790 kHz would therefore have an effective series resistance of about 28 ohms. Coils used for loop antennae generally have a considerably higher Q than the small molded inductors used in tuner bandswitches.

Q of a parallel-tuned LC circuit

The need for the tank Q parameter arises from the fact that components used in tuned circuits are not purely reactive (inductive or capacitive) - resistance (both series & parallel) may be present. Purthermore, loads imposed upon the tuned circuit may also possess resistive impedance characteristics. The greater the amount of loss caused by resistance, the lower the Q of the tank in question will be; tuning sharpness will decrease.

Resonance in an LC tuned circuit occurs at $F = (159154.95) / \sqrt{(L^*C)}$ where F is in kHz, L is in microhenries (uH), and C is in picofarads (pF). A parallel-tuned LC circuit, such as a loop antenna tuned with a variable capacitor, if comprised of perfect components, should have infinite gain at the one frequency to which it is tuned and zero signal present at all other frequencies.

Of course, no such loop exists. Gain which is finite and bandwidth which is not infinitesimally small describe real-life conditions. Many factors contribute to resistive losses, but the two major contributors (at frequencies below 30 MHz) are effective series resistance of the inductive element and effective parallel resistance of the load. Note the use of the word "effective".

Effective series resistance of the coil in question is derived from actual DC resistance of the winding and from core losses - the latter part of this effective resistance may be somewhat frequency-dependent, but, for the purposes of this introductory article, we'll consider it to be constant over the frequency range of interest. Effective series resistance of a coil can be calculated if the coil Q at a frequency near that of operation is specified (as in the case of the previously-mentioned 220 uH Miller miniature molded inductor).

Effective parallel load resistance is the actual load resistance in the case of a high-impedance load such as a FET amp. input directly fed from the "tank high" and "tank low"(e. g. ground) points or a multiplied-up value of the load's resistance if the load is loosely-coupled to the tank by means of a tap on the tank coil, a link coil near the tank coil, a small-value coupling capacitor, or a large-value coupling inductor.

Q is a selectivity measurement which is defined as the ratio of the resonant frequency of a tuned circuit to the 3 dB bandwidth of that circuit. The RLCQ (BASIC) program takes as operator input the effective shunt (parallel) resistance contributed by the load, the effective series resistance of the coil, the value of the inductor (in uH), and either the frequency or the value of the capacitor. Output generated includes a swept-frequency table giving the magnitude of impedance in ohms (to which signal voltage is proportional), ratio of complex to resistive impedance, required tuning capacitance at each frequency given, and phase shift from the zero-degree reference phase at resonance. Other output information includes 3 dB bandwidth, phase shift caused by a 5 pF shift in tuning capacitance from resonance (an important parameter for phasing unit design), resonant frequency shift caused by a 5 pF shift from resonance, and, of course, the Q for the circuit whose characteristics were inputted.

Output is in a write-to-diskfile format; the program may be modified for direct transferral to paper. Three sample output files are reproduced after the program listing. In each case, a very-high-Q inductance (such as would be used on a loop antenna) of 220 uH is used. The first file uses a 330K load impedance, such as one would have at the input of a FET "front end card": the tuning is very sharp and phase angle changes very rapidly with any shift in the tuning capacitance. The first file demonstrates a desirable situation for a loop antenna or wire tuner whose outrut is connected directly to a receiver or to a broadband amplifier ahead of a receiver; conversely, this case is undesirable for a tuner used in a phasing system because the change in phase angle per unit change in capacitance is so great that adjustment required to produce a null is exceedingly touchy and narrow-banded nulling attempts are virtually useless. On the other hand, the only detriment to such high () in a standalone active-loop is the possibility of the FET amp. going into oscillation. Reducing the gate-to-ground resistor to about 180K usually provides just enough Q-spoiling to stop undesired regeneration without wreaking havoc with gain & selectivity. The second and third files demonstrate (at 600 kHz and 1200 kHz respectively) the characteristics of the tank circuit of the first output file when loaded by a 15K Q-spoiling resistor. 15K has been established as a value which works well in phasing applications: it allows enough Q-spoiling to make null achievement manageable and null bandwidth sufficient without reducing signal level excessively and without reducing phase-shift-per-capacitance-shift to a point that not enough shift for nulls can be produced with modest variations in tuning capacitance.

The program and sample outputs which follow should help the loop, tuner, and phaser designer to simulate many tuned circuits without the need to build them first and without the need to make hours of exhaustive measurements.

(program listing) (DEC PDP-11 BASIC-PLUS-2 V2.2 - ØØ)

24 NPUT "(min. = 10 / max. = 1000) C, pf";C

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25 IF C<10 OR C>1000 THEN PRINT"Illegal value"\GO TO 22
26 FOR I=1 TO 3
27 IF I=1 THEN C=C-5
28 IF I=2 THEN C=C+10\REM ORIGINAL C + 5
29 IF I=3 THEN C=C-5 \REM ORIGINAL C
32 LA=L*1E-6\ CA= C*1E-12
33 FR=1/((2000*P)*((LA*CA) .5))
35 IF I=1 THEN XFH=FR
36 IF I=2 THEN XFL=FR
37 NEXT I
38 PRINT #1," shunt R = ";R1;" ohms / coil R = ";R2;" ohms"
39 PRINT #1," L = ";L;" uH / C = ";C;" pF"
40 PRINT #1," Resonant Frequency = ";FR;" kHz"
41 F=FR\GOSUB 988\R=A1
42 F=XFL\GOSUB 699\XBL=B
44 F=XFH\GOSUB 600\XBH=B
50 SB=0\S=0
180 FOR N=1 TO 10
105 IF SB=0 THEN P=FR*(1-(((10-N)^2)/101.25))
110 IF SB=2 THEN F=FR*((((N-1)^2)/20.25)+1)
120 GOSUB 600\ REM MATH
168 G(N) =A/R\FX(N) =F
170 IF N=1 AND SB=2 THEN 300
180 IF SOO THEN 210
               * *******.** *******.** *.***
185 FOS=
190 PRINT #1
192 PRINT $1," F, kHz MAG.Z, ohms MAG Z/R
200 PRINT #1," --
210 S=1
250 PRINT #1% USING FOS, F, A, A/R, CE, B
300 NEXT N
301 SB=SB+1
302 IF SB=1 THEN GOSUB 700\SB=SB+1
303 IF SB=2 THEN 100
304 IF SB=3 THEN GOSUB 800\GO TO 1000
                       Parallel Impedance SUBROUTINE
500 REM >>>>>
510 US=(U1*U2)-(V1*V2)
 520 VS=(V1*U2)+(V2*U1)
530 UU=U1+U2\VV=V1+V2
 548 DE= (UU^2)+(VV^2)
 550 IF DE=0 THEN DE=1E-9
568 U3=((US*UU)+(VS*VV))/DE
570 V3=((VS*UU)-(US*VV))/DE
580 RETURN
 600 REM >>>>>
610 W-F*2000*P
 615 U1=R1\V1=0
629 U2=0.0001\V2=-1/(W*CA)
 625 GOSUB 500
630 U1=U3\V1=V3
635 U2=R2\V2=97*LA
 640 IF U3=0 THEN U3=.0001\ REM PREVENT DIVIDE-BY-ZERO ERROR
650 A=((U3^2)+(V3^2)) ^.5\ REM MAGNITUDE OF IMPEDANCE
678 B=(ATN(V3/U3)) *K\ REM PHASE ANGLE IN DEGREES
675 CE=25330/(((P/1000) 2) *L) REM EQUIV. RESONATING C IN PF
690 RETURN
700 REM >>>>>
                      -3 dB Low Side Point SUBROUTWE
716 FOR M=1 TO 9
715 IF G(1)>EH THEN GL=1\GO TO 797 ELSE GL=0
717 IF G(M)>EL AND G(M) <EH THEN FL=PX(M)\GO TO 795
729 IF G(M) <E AND G(M+1) >E THEN F1=FX(M)\F2=FX(M+1)\GO TO 730
725 NEXT M
736 F=(F1+F2)/2
748 COSUB 600
758 IF A/ROEA THEN F2=F\GO TO 738
760 IF A/RKEL THEN F1=F\GO TO 730
779 FL=F
795 BL-B
797 RETURN
899 REM >>>>>
                      -3 dB High Side Point SUBROUTINE
810 FOR M=1 TO 9
815 IF G(10)>EH THEN GH=1\GO TO 897 ELSE GH=0
817 IF G(M)>EL AND G(M) <EH THEN FH=FX(M) \GO TO 895
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820 IF G(M)>E AND G(M+1) <E THEN F1=FX(M)\F2=FX(M+1)\GO TO 830
825 NEXT M
83Ø F=(F1+F2)/2
849 COSUB 699
850 IF A/R>EH THEN F1=F\GO TO 830
860 IF A/R<EL THEN F2=F\GO TO 830
876 FH=F
895 BH=B
897 RETURN
                            Peakfind SUBROUTINE
900 RF21
910 GOSUB 600
928 Al=A
930 F=F-.01\GOSUB 600\REM TEST FOR INCREASING MAG. Z 0 DECREASING F
940 IF ACAL THEN 998 REM NO SHIFT IN PEAK
945 Al=A
950 P=F-10\GOSUB 600\REM 10 kHz DOWNHARD INCREMENT
955 IF ANAL THEN AL=A\GO TO 958
960 F=F+.001\GOSUB 600\REM 'HOME IN' ON SOLUTION
965 IF ANAL THEN AL=A\GO TO 960
990 RETURN
999 REM ******** PROGRAM CUTFUT CONCLUSION ********
1000 BH=FH-FL\PRINT #1
1882 TXTS=" Average Phase Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) =
1003 PRINT #1,TXTS; (XBL-XBH)/2; " deg"
1884 TXTS=" Avg.Res.Freq. Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = "
1885 PRINT #1, TXT$; (XFH-XFL) /2; " kHz"
1006 PRINT #1
1007 IF GL=1 OR GH=1 THEN 1009
                       3 dB Bandwidth = ";BW;" kHz"
1008 PRINT #1,"
1809 IF GL=1 THEN 1811
1010 PRINT $1," Low Side -3 dB point = ";FL;" kHz";" Phase = ";BL;" deg"
1011 IF GH=1 THEN 1013
1012 PRINT #1," High Side -3 dB point = ";FH;" kHz";" Phase = ";BH;" deg
1013 IF GL=1 OR GH=1 THEN 1020
1014 PRINT 01," Tank C
                       Tank Circuit Q = ";FR/BW
1020 S=0\PRINT #1\PRINT #1,STARS\CLOSE #1%
1825 PRINT\INPUT"(1=YES) MORE CALCULATIONS";S
1030 IF S=1 THEN PRINT\PRINT\PRINT\GO TO 7
1050 END
   (end of program listing; output files follow)
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WMMW gets 24-hour license

By DON SCHILLER Record-Journal-staff

After seven years of trying, Meriden's only radio station has received approval from the Federal Communications Commission to begin 24-hour-a-day broadcasting.

The go-ahead makes WMMW the first station in central Connecticut to broadcast around-the-clock, said Sandy St. Pierre, WMMW's news director.

It also permits the AM station to put its five new towers to full use, boasting power output from 1,000 watts to 2,500 watts and broadening its broadcast area to Middletown and the Connecticut shoreline, she explained.

St. Pierre said the AM station will begin broadcasting until midnight or 1 a.m. next Monday and will convert to a 24-hour schedule on April 11.

WMMW goes on the air at 6 a.m. and signs off at sundown.

The station received preliminary approval for 14-hour broadcasting on Thursday, according to St. Pierre, who added that final approval will come "when all the paperwork is complete" and is virtually assured.

"That should be no problem at all," she said. "We could go on tomorrow if we really wanted to."

The news director said the expanded broadcast schedule has been in the works for seven years. Approval was held up by difficulties in tuning the station's five new 170-foot towers, located in the city's north end, and by the voluminous amount of paperwork that had to be filed with and processed by the FCC, she explained.

"We had a lot of trouble tuning the towers ... and getting the signals to go where they were supposed to go," she explained. "We had to call in engineering consultants to straighten things out."

The switch to a continuous schedule will result in more news broadcasts. St. Pierre said the station plans news broadcasts in the early evening, and a news wrappup at 11 n.m. each night.

news wrap-up at 11 p.m. each night.

The music format will not be
changed; the station will continue to
offer a mixture of Top 40 and "adult
contemporary" selections, she ex-

contemporary" selections, she explained.

St. Pierre said the station expects to hire as many as two additional disc jockeys to cover the late-night and ear-

ly-morning shifts, and may also take on a new part-time news person. The station now has a five-person

news department.

In addition, the station expects to broadcast the entire New York Yankees schedule, St. Pierre said. With its current schedule, WMMW can only carry day games. *************************************

This is file: 06220330K.TXT

shunt R = 330000 ohms / coil R = 1 ohms L = 220 uH / C = 319.823 pF Resonant Frequency = 600.003 kHz

F, kHz	NAG. 2, ohms	MAG Z/R	CE, pF	PHASE, DEG
 120.00	172.79	0.001	7995.5	89.610
229.74	352.99	0.002	2362.9	89.722
309.63	583.35	0.003	1200.9	89.716
386.67	914.13	0.004	770.1	89.658
451.85	1442.92	0.006	563.9	89,538
505.19	2398.93	0.011	451.1	89,302
546.67	4447.34	8.028	385.3	88.781
576.38	10274.10	0.046	346.7	87.287
594.88	41058.80	0.184	326.2	79.321
600.00	223006.00	1.000	319.8	-0.025
629.63	8593.74	0.839	290.4	-87.857
718.52	2287.99	0.810	223.0	-89.478
866.67	1102.70	0.005	153.3	-89.764
1074.08	673.47	0.003	99.8	-89.866
1340.75	464.11	0.002	64.0	-89.912
1666.68	343.04	0.002	41.4	-89.937
2051.86	265.21	0.001	27.3	-89.952
2496.31	211.57	0.001	18.5	-89.962
3000.02	172.79	0.001	12.8	-89,969

Average Phase Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 76.6183 deg Avg.Res.Preq. Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 4.6908 kHz

3 dB Bandwidth = 2,23169 kHz

Low Side -3 dB point = 598.889 kHz Phase = 44.9352 deg High Side -3 dB point = 601.121 kHz Phase = -45.0722 deg

Tank Circuit 0 = 268.856

This is file: 0622015K.TXT

shunt R = 15000 ohms / coil R = 1 ohms L = 220 uH / C = 319.823 pF Resonant Frequency = 600.003 kHz

	F, kHz	MAG.Z, ohms	MAG Z/R	CE, pF	PHASE, DEG	
-	120.00	172.77	0.012	7995.5	88.980	
	229.74	352.77	0.024	2362.9	88.435	
	389.63	582.84	0.040	1200.9	87.591	
	386.67	912.28	0.062	778.1	86.338	
	451.85	1435.82	0.098	563.9	84,295	
	505.19	2367.16	0.161	451.1	80.638	
	546.67	4255.63	0.290	385.3	73.073	
	576.30	8418.71	0.573	346.7	54.934	
	594.08	13844.60	0.943	326.2	19.351	
	600.00	14679.80	1.000	319.8	-0.002	
	629.63	7423.97	0.586	290.4	-59.686	
	718.52	2261.13	0.154	223.0	-81.197	
	866.67	1099.67	0.075	153.3	-85.752	
	1074.08	672.79	0.046	99.8	-87.412	
	1348.75	463.88	0.032	64.0	-88.220	
	1666.68	342.95	0.023	41.4	-88.686	
	2051.86	265.16	0.018	27.3	-88.985	
	2496.31	211.55	0.014	18.5	-89.191	
	3000.02	172,78	0.012	12.8	-89.339	

Average Phase Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 15.4684 deg Avg.Pes.Preq. Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 4.6908 kHz

3 dB Bandwidth = 33.8992 kHz

Low Side -3 dB point = 583.314 kHz Phase = 44.9282 deg High Side -3 dB point = 617.213 kHz Phase = -45.868 deg Tank Circuit 0 = 17.6996

This is file: 1222015K.TXT

shunt R = 15000 chms / coil R = 1 chms L = 220 uH / C = 79.9558 pF Resonant Frequency = 1200.01 kHz

F, kHz	MAG.2, ohms	MAG Z/R	CE, pF	PHASE, DEG
248.00	345.46	0.023	1998.9	88.599
441.48	784.95	0.047	590.7	87.198
619.26	1163.06	0.078	300.2	85.462
773.34	1814.51	0.122	192.5	82.960
903.71	2832.97	0.190	141.0	79.008
1010.38	4566.82	0.306	112.8	72.134
1093.34	7638.92	8.512	96.3	59.162
1152.60	12073.40	0.809	86.7	35.938
1188.16	14684.90	0.984	81.6	10.121
1200.01	14918.70	1.000	89.9	-0.991
1259.27	11273.00	0.756	72.6	-40.952
1437.05	4375.59	0.293	55.8	-72.973
1733.34	2181.83	0.146	38.3	-81.614
2148.16	1341.53	0.090	25.8	-84.860
2681.50	926.44	0.062	16.0	-86.455
3333.35	685.35	0.046	10.4	-87.379
4103.73	530.08	0.036	6.8	-87.974
4992.62	422.97	0.028	4.6	-88.384
6080.84	345.48	0.023	3.2	-88.680
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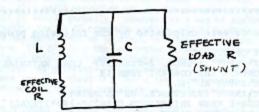
Average Phase Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 29.3848 deg Avg.Res.Freq. Shift (+/- 5 pF from resonance) = 37.613 kHz

3 dB Bandwidth = 133.418 kHz

Low Side -3 dB point = 1135.18 kHz Phase = 44.9662 deg High Side -3 dB point = 1268.6 kHz Phase = -45.0271 deg

Tank Circuit Q = 8.99434

CIRCUIT MODEL



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Amidon Toroidal Core Data

FT-114-72 u=2000 AL = 1270 mH / 1000T (use for 100 - 500 kHz inductors)

L (uH)	Turns
10000	89
4788	60
2200	41
1000	28
478	19
220 .	13

AL = 325 uH / 100T (use for 475 - 1100 kHz inductors)

L (uH)	Turns
478	120
228	82
100	55
47	38

u=18 AL = 135 uH / 100T (use for 1100 - 3500 kHz inductors)

L (uH)	Turns
100	86
47	59
22	40
10	27

************************************* AL = 48 uH / 188T (use for 3000 - 7500 kHz inductors)

Turns
74
50
34
23

u=2000 AL = 1868 mH / 1888T (use for 100 - 2500 kHz transformers)

AL = 557 mH / 1000T u=850 (use for 2000 - 7500 kHz transformers)

Inductances were calculated by the following program:

5 PRINT"COIL.B2S"

18 PRINT\INPUT" (1=IRON, 2=FERRITE) CORE MATERIAL"; CORE

20 IF CORE<>1 AND CORE<>2 THEN 10

30 PRINT\INPUT"AL"; AL

40 PRINT\INPUT"INDUCTANCE, UH";L\PRINT

50 IF CORE=1 THEN PRINT"IRON CORE"\T=100*((L/AL) .5)\GO TO 100

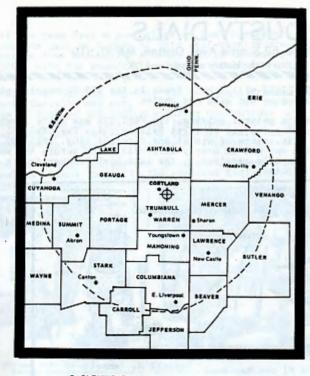
68 IF CORE-2 THEN PRINT "PERRITE CORE"\T=1888*((L/(1888*AL))".5)

108 PRINT "AL = ";AL;" * L = ";L;" UH * * TURNS = ";T

118 Q=8\PRINT\INPUT"(SAME CORE, NEW L) (1=YES) RUN AGAIN";Q

128 IF Q=1 THEN 48

200 END



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DUSTY DIALS

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A Look at the History of Radio and DX

This edition of <u>DUSTY</u> <u>DIALS</u> will take a break in the BCB DX memoirs of Ray Lewis, and feature some old QSLs and photos.

The first two QSLs are a natural pairing. The WKAT QSL was quite sought after in its day, and the subject of a Pat Reilley quip. The CKMO QSL is simply stunning, with colors of violet and midnight blue. This 100 watt Vancouver station was not an overly difficult catch before the war, and this was one of two QSLs received by the late Dick Daneker from a location near Philadelphia.





The next page features some photos from the 1937 - 1938 era, and all four were NRC members, and in fact, three of them still are, with Bob Botzum being the exception as he passed on over a decade ago. It has been my pleasure to meet Howard, Carroll, and Pete, all three are living treasures of our club's illustrious heritage. These photos were from a set produced by the old NNRC. Many of those in the set were, and some still are, members of NRC. A few others will be featured some time soon, including people like "Pop" Jenkins, who was boyn in 1874, and the enigmatic Nancy Lee "Nite Rider" Saxton, an NRC member of the 1930s.

It has been over a year since we lost Carleton Lord. He gave me a copy of this self-carricature that he drew for KELLER'S RADIO LOG in the early 1940s, with the remark "... I never could draw hands!".

When I was putting together the 50th Anniversary Book, Carleton was very displeased with the photo that I took at the 1982 New Jersey convention. Well, it was the best of the two photos I took of Carleton, ERC, RHC, and Pete Clarius, and it was included as a historic meeting of four NRC greats.



As The Europeans Roll In.

The photo that follows was taken at the summer 1937 meeting of NNRC members. Front row left, the handsome individual is none other than







Another Lord cartoon is at the left. A forerunner of NRC's Captain Glotz :

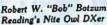




Howard G. Kemp "Brass City Night Owl"

Member Newark News Radio Club









These two XEFW QSLs are for a warch 1940 DX program. Wonder if there were more than two versions of the card, and where the young lady is today?

This is a photo taken at the 1939 Erie Pa. convention, maybe the only surviving copy of the photo. Joe Becker is on too, Itone, Reilley and Edge plainly in front row.



THE MODESTO BEE

KTRB goes to 50,000 watts

Modesto AM radio station KTRB recently received authorization to increase its broadcast power from 10,000 watts to 50,000 watts.

The new power level is the maximum allowed for any AM standard band broadcast station in the United States.

Pete Pappas, chief executive officer of KTRB, said the new improved signal will be heard from Redding to Bakersfield, the Bay area, the central Sierra and parts of the Monterey Peninsula.

The station plans to soon begin construction of a fifth transmitting tower at its site on Claribel Road. Full power operation is scheduled by late summer.

Hodesto, CA. 860 kis via N. Hardester in (sob) Modesto.

Bridgeport's WNAB to be sold

BRIDGEPORT (UPI) — The owner if a New Jersey radio station will purchase WNAB-AM radio in Bridgeport in a deal that will free the current owner of more than \$1 million in debt.

The sale of the station to Stamford hative Jonathan Hoffman was ap-

hative Jonathan Hoffman was approved this week by a U.S. Bankruptcy Court judge. Hoffman will pay \$545,000 for the assets of WAMB and the license to broadcast on the 1450 frequency.

WNAB has operated under Chapter 31 since May 193 and the transaction still must be approved by the Federal Communications Commission.

Hoffman, whose family once owned Hoffman Puel Co. and real estate busihosses, owns WMJY-FM in Long Branch, N.J.

The sale will free the current station pwner, Harry W. Lawson, of the sta-

tion's \$1.3 million in debts.

Lawson will not receive any of the \$545,000 purchase price, which instead will be paid to the station's two largest creditors. Lawson paid about \$700,000 for the station in 1912.

Late last year, it appeared WNAB would be sold to Nutmeg Financial Services Inc. of Norwalk under a similar arrangement with Lawson and his creditors.

But Lawson's attorneys said Wednesday that several other offers were made for the station, and Hofiman's was accepted Tuesday by Judge Alan H.W. Shiff.

were made not the station, and Hotfman's was accepted Tuesday by Judge Alan H.W. Shiff. WNAB and its parent company, Lawson Broadcasting Co., owe more than \$311,000 to Equico Capital Corp., the minority business financing division of Equitable Life Assurance Society.

ike Hardester DI Birchwood Court odesto, CA. 95330

Note: Day pattern is virtually north/south Night pattern is east/west

Xmtr site is about 5 miles from my QTM. I can see it now: "Serving the Central Valley on 860, 1720, 2580, 3440, 4300, 5160, 6020, 6880, 7740, 8600, 9460, 10320, 11180, 12040, 12900, 13760, 14620, 15480, 16340, 17200, 18060, 18920, 19780, 20640, 21600 kiloHertz and all points north, this is the Country Voice of the Great Central Valley: K-T-R-B, Hodesto, California, the United States of America. The following program is in Nepalese for our listeners in Eathmandu. Yo Radio K T R B Ho."

The underlined frees are regularly had harmonics. Aside from overmodulation, a "clean" signal.

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920

920

Engineer in 6 weeks.

ALASKA Soldotna KSRM unreadable GM wrote "confirmed" at bottom of my report and returned. Included discount card and bumper sticker. (Wood)

ECUADOR Machala C.R.O., call not known, partial data letter explaining that their current 920 frequency replaced 915 and name C)R)O) replaced

Ecuadorian mx, many ID's as Radio El Oro and Radio Nacional El Oro;

ITALY synchronized net 3/16 0515 classical violin, II annots, good.

INDIA Bikaner North Regional Service 3/16 sitar mx, vocal duets, //

Machala #3 here. (Wood)

1368

1395

930

Ondas Orenses-both still listed in WRTH 1985. Did not specify the dates of these changes but seem to be several years ago. Included magnificent dark blue and yellow silk pennant showing a monkey at the microphone. Pennant gives new name but old frequency suggesting that the two changes were not simultaneous. In 5 weeks by registered mail bearing five colorful stamps, largely stuck on rop of each other. Signed by Jose Ugarte Aguilar, Gerente General.

URUGUAY Montevideo R. Monte Carlo CX20 formally worded, detailed letter from Gloria Gasperini or airmail weight letterhead. First South American

ALASKA Homer KBBIspecific letter and info sheet from David L. Molvik, CE. Said had recently had a report from an Gahu DX'er (whom I recently met), also Australia, and a phony report from Italy. (Boo! Chuck)

MEXICO Irapuato R. Variedades, XEBO pleasant letter and 4 stickers from 1330 Alejandro Martinez Duran, Subgerente in 3 weeks. Said they once received a report from the South Pacific Islands.

ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon partial data letter, flyer, mint stamp from 1510 Gareth L. Hodgw, SM.

Paul Ormandy of Camaru has taken the trouble to drop me a note saying that he believes a possibility for the unid Latin on 1425 reported in IDXD several times recently is TI.. R. Guapiles which he has heard recently. Thanks for that bit of info. Paul. Now in return, someone please help Paul with the unid Radio Reloj on 710 with SS news and GMT-4 TC's.

Mark Connelly-Belmont, MA Marc DeLorenzo-Holliston, MA Harold Frodge-Midland, MI Wayne Heinen-somewhere in CO Richard Turner-Dartmouth. MA Fred Vobbe-somewhere in MI Richard Wood-Hilo, HI

TRF, digital readout HQ100, phased LW's DX302, 185' LW R390A, MW1 loop RF2900 R1000, R71A, 3 Beverages

Is Cincy Radio For Real?

Local Radio Execs Launch Bogus Blurb Ploy To Prove This Point To TV Advertisers

By JERRY STEIN

station execs, members of the Cin- mercials for the phantom mall, the cinnati Broadcasters Assn., have survey should point to a lofty recogbanded together to launch a bogus nition factor in the broadcast marradio advertising campaign to make ket. a point with buyers of tv ad time.

ed ad man Jerry Galvin of Galvin, broadcasters will use the survey as a Menderson, Maier and Press, to selling point to get advertisers to come up with a wild radio campaign | buy more radio time. that would be the basis of a subsequent product identity study. Gal- first commercial artifice to be used vin, who also hosts the syndicated in Cincy. In 1973, WEBN began air-"Talktalk" show from WVXU ra- ing a gag ad for Tree Frog Beer, and dio, developed the concept of "Plummet Mall," a subterranean ly made an offer to bottle the stuff, shopping center that exists only in WEBN made the point if it could Galvin's mind.

The plan was for the CBS mem- it could do with a real product. bers to air a series of commercials seriously. One ad, for instance, stat- Little Kings Cream Ale. ed that because the cold weather caused a shift in the earth's crust, Plummet Mall has been lost somewhere between Cincy and Lincoln,

month. A research firm, hired by imaginative contributions to whatthe CBA, now will make a study to ever fantasy subject is being dis see if the ads jarred the listening cussed.

Cincinnati, Feb. 26. | public's attention. Because most A number of Cincinnati radio Cincy radio stations aired the com-

Results are expected to be in by The broadcasters, who aren't go- March. And if identity for Plummet ing public with their identities, hir- Mall is as high as expected, the

> The Plummet Mall ruse is not the the Schoenling Brewing Co. actualsell a bogus beer, considering what

Schoenling bought the idea. The for four weeks. The copy is so out- brewery gave WEBN an account to rageous that few would take the ads air commercials for Schoenling's

Galvin, who declined comment on the Plummet campaign, is an old hand at benign deceptions. His Sunday radio show takes a wild, imaginary subject as a premise and lis-The series of ads concluded this teners are invited to call in to ade





As has been widely proclaimed, the ICOM communications receivers is a potentially outstanding recurring complaint about these receivers, however, centers around ICOM's choice of filter in the passband tuning (PBT) circuit when receiving in the AM mode. The R70 (and I assume, the R71/A) uses a muRata CFW455HT ceramic filter in this mode, a relatively inexpensive filter with the following specs---6kHz at -6dB, 18kHz at -50dB and a maximum stopband attenuation of 35 dB. The last figure is of particular interest in that nearby signals of even moderate strength can find their way under the skirts of this filter and produce audible (occasionally intelligible) interference. This state of affairs is in stark contrast to the outstanding performance of the FL44/A, an optional (and expensive --- \$159.95) filter available for the SSB PBT circuit.

The obvious solution to the PBT-AM problem is filter substitution. Unfortunately, space limitations are such that very few high quality filters are available which will fit and no quality filters (to my knowledge) have the same (strange) terminal lay-out as the stock CFW455HT. So. early attempts at correcting the PBT-AM problem revolved around mounting filters on the underside of the circuit board and bending filter leads to fit. This method, as well as the one whereby a filter was mounted nearby and connected to the solder points via heavily shielded cable, did not succeed because signal leakage at one point or other negated the improved specs of the more expensive filter. (Similar difficulties had been encountered in the past when trying to substitute high quality filters in certain brands of portables (i.e., Panasonic).) It became obvious that a more drastic solution was needed --- a small. high quality filter would have to be found and the tracings on the circuit board reworked.

Finally, I did locate a ceramic filter of much higher quality than the stock filter, and of nearly identical size. Installation is not that difficult but is really not for the faint-hearted because new mounting holes must be drilled in the circuit board and copper tracings must be removed. Nonetheless, selectivity is improved and leakage is nil. fact, I've modified my R70 so that the super FL44A can be used in the AM PBT mode and I can detect no difference in leakage between the FL44A and the substituted filter. Incidentally, the filter used in this mod is the muRata CFG4551 with the following specs---4kHz at -6dB: 10kHz at -60dB; and a stopband attenuation of 70dB.

Before performing this mod, make sure that your warranty has expired because the procedure described below will undoubtedly terminate it.

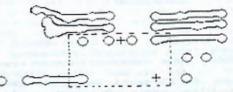
What you will need--

- muRata CFG4551 filter
- (1) hand or power drill
- (1) #60 drill bit
- (1) soldering iron and solder
- desoldering tool or wick
- (1) Phillips head screwdriver
- (1) razor blade or X-acto knife
 - (a Dremel tool with a small
- grinding bit is much preferred, however,
- (1) length (<2") of hook-up wire

Procedure

- 1. Remove top cover of R70 as per manual instructions.
- 2. Locate on top of the circuit board the AM PBT filter. labeled FIS on the schematic and is at the left rear of the board.
- 3. Follow instructions in the manual for accessing the bottom of the main circuit board. These are the same instructions in the manual for installing the FL44 crystal filter in the SSB PBT circuit: but. obviously, you won't be installing an FL44 so don't remove the SSB filter, resistors, etc. You just want to get at the bottom of circuit board.
- 4. Locate the solder points of the stock ceramic filter on underside of the board (see illustration).

REAR OF BOARD T



- - NEW HOLES TO BE DRILLED

STOCK CERAMIC FILTER TRACINGS

5. Using your desoldering tool, remove the solder from the five (5)

solder points and remove the filter from the board.

6. Now. take the new CFG4551 filter and bend the ground tab on the filter so that you can press the filter against the copper tracings on the bottom of the board and thereby create indentations to mark the places to drill the new mounting holes. You will have to drill two new holes (one for the input terminal and one to accommodate the ground tab) and you will have to enlarge the existing mounting holes (in the three remaining corners) to accommodate the slightly larger terminals of the new filter.

 Drill/enlarge the holes as illustrated; drill from the copper tracing side of the board (to avoid ripping the tracings from the

board).

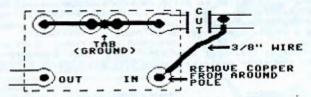
 Take your razor blade/X-acto knife or Dremel tool and carefully cut or grind away the circuit board coating that surrounds the hole which you drilled for the tab of the new filter (you want to get to bare

copper).

9. Now remove the coating as well as a small circle of copper that surrounds the new hole you drilled for the input pole of the new filter. When you insert the new filter, you don't want this pole touching any of the surrounding copper.

10. Finally, cut or grind away the copper tracing as illustrated

below.



CFG455I CONNECTIONS

 Now insert the CFG455I on the component side of the board (the space formerly occupied by the stock filter) and press down firmly so that the new filter is seated snugly against the circuit board.

12. Fold the ground poles of the new filter toward each other so that

they meet at the ground tab of the filter.

13. Bend the tab against the board tightly and solder the poles and

tabs to each other and to the circuit board.

- 14. Take a 3/8" piece of ordinary 18-20 gauge hook-up wire (I tried shielded wire and ferrite beads with no discernable improvement over the hook-up wire) and solder one end to the pole marked 'IN' on the illustration.
- 15. Scrape away the plastic coating on the illustrated copper tracing and solder the other end of the 3/8" wire. Route the wire away from other solder points and press against the circuit board.

16. Replace the circuit board and top cover of the R70.

You have now completed the filter substitution mod.

Turn on the R70 and notice that the travel of the PBT knob is much tighter than before. That is, intelligibility on moderately strong

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stations is lost at about the 9:00 and 3:00 o'clock positions (instead of 7:00 and 5:00, if at all). Most importantly, if you performed the mod correctly, you should be able to detect no difference in levels of audible splatter between the PBT 'on' and 'off' positions when tuned a few kHz away from a strong station.

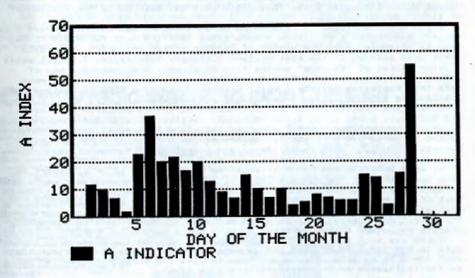
If you are interested in this mod but can't find the muRata CF6455I. I'll mail you one for \$19 (ppd) or I'll perform the mod for you for \$30 (plus return shipping). Please send inquiries or questions to: 6erry Thomas, 3635 Chastain Way, Pensacola, FL 32503.

Finally, I have not tried the preceding mod on the R71/A but I assume the procedure is identical. I would be very interested in hearing from anyone who tries the mod on these later models.
73's---GT

AfR GRAPH

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AFR GRAPH/FEBRUARY 1985



This graph shows the daily variations in AfR, the Fredericksburg (VA) index of geomagnetic activity in the earth's magnetic field. High values (above 20) indicate that medium wave signals in upper latitude paths will likely be absorbed, thus resulting in "auroral conditions", with signals from the South and from local stations predominating due to this absorption of the more northernly signals. Low values over a period of time indicate a liklihood of more receptions of the higher-latitude paths --- more, and more northerly TA's and TP's. Several days of low values following higher ones are needed for conditions to return to "normal", due to residual absorption. Long periods of extremely low values (6 or less) are necessary to raise the possibility of good high-latitude conditions throughout the entire FM band, although this is not the only requirement. For additional information on the use of the Afr and related indicts as a a DX tool, consult the NRC Reprints List for relevant articles. (The Reprint List can be obtained from the NRC Publication Center, whose address is located on the back cover). ---RjE

DUSTY DIALS

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A Look at the History of Radio and DX

"WHEN I LISTENED IN', by S. Ray Lewis, part four, edited for DX NEWS

Because of the increased interest in radio listening, I decided to form a listeners club in 1933. It was known as the TOLEDO RADIO CLUB, and still is in existence today as a radio amateur group. When the TRC was about seven years old, we had grown too large to meet in each other's homes, so a large one room clubhouse was built on the back of a lot owned by a club officer.

During these years of increased club activity, I also wrote a monthly newsletter, to keep everyone informed. I also continued to increase my own personal DX los, and spent an average of 15 hours each week at the dials of mw receivers. Total verifications continued to show, and at one time (1937) I almost acheived my soal of actually verifying all U.S.A. standard broadcast band stations ! Only two U.S. stations eluded me. according to RADEX lists.

Over this span of years, I also had the pleasure of hearing and verifying many foreign stations. As a matter of fact, my record included the following: 105 Canadians, 61 Mexicans, 50 Cubans, 10 from U.S. territories including Alaska and Hawaii, 23 South Americans, 13 Central Americans, 14 from New Zealand and Australia, 3 Africans, 15 Europeans (from 13 countries), and 10 Asians (from Japan, Korea, and the Phillipines). The balance of my grand total of 1307 verified stations were domestic.

A rare opportunity for DXer's to prove their expertise at dial twisting presented itself in 1936. RADEX announced it would sponsor a MYSTERY DX CONTEST. On two nights of a particular week, special DX programs from stations around the country would be broadcast. They were to be of one hour duration and aired during the morning hours from midnight to 6 a.m. Winners of various prizes would be determined by a milease factor, using airline miles. The DXer setting the best score - with verified receptions - would win a magnificent Scott 27-tube chrome Plated receiver, including a 4 tube Volume Ranse Expansion Unit. This extra unit was said to be the forerunner of stereo sound.

While winning prizes for listening to DX stations was not new to me, this contest was really a challenge ! Many times over the rast few years it had been my pleasure to be the winner of various prizes and sifts. Generally these were awarded to the most distant listener. Some prizes I recall were: a large basket of 'Skookum' apples from Wenatchee, Washington; a box of uniquely delicious rinon toffee from Albuquerque, New Mexico; a ten reso note from Monterrey Mexico; a small birthday cake from KGVO in Montana; and a miniature bale of cutton from Baton Rouse Louisiana.

Before the Mystery DX Contest: I checked my serial and ground systems: and made sure tubes in my Silver-Harshall receiver were in tip-top condition. It should be mentioned that I acquired this fine 1931 model receiver several months prior to the DX Contest. It had proved to be for superior to the Crosely Showbox in both rower (sain) and selectivity. However I still used the same old variometer as a wave trap in the antenna circuit !

My work schedule had to be arranged to permit me to be up all might on the two nights of the Mystery Contest, for which I was really primed ! Well. to make a long story short, I won the contest and was soon the proud recipient of the magnificent Scott receiver. It was truly a sight to behold with all four of its subchassis being chrone-plated. It was a real beauty ! The retail cost was said to be about \$650.00. (Editor's note: a Duesembers chassis was under \$7,000.00 then, so this was a hell of an EXPENSIVE radio).

There was much publicity connected with my winning the Masters DX Contest, both in the local newspapers and in various radio massagines. I think that most Diers in my area came to our home to view the Scott Receiver. At least my family thought so ! Congratulations from several well known DX clubs came in, and I recall hearing from the NRC, MNRC, Buffalo Evening News Radio Club, and the Chicago Daily News Radio Club. Shortly after winning the Mystery Contest it was my sood fortune to also win a large colorfol 12' World Globe with a 24 hour alarm clock built into the base. This complemented the Scott. which I had placed in an extra large Juke Box cabinet because of its size.

One might think that anything I did in radio, after winning the Scott, would be anticlimactic - but it definitely was not. However it did change my life style somewhat and also had some effect on the other members of my ever growing family. Hang reople I had not previously known came to see us, and new friendships were formed. Then too, membership in our club increased. But I could not help but reminisce now and them, and think back to my first two homemade radios. Then I would marvel at the areat progress which had been made in radio during the 16 years since 1920 ! And I was glad to have been a part of that progress.

In the late 1930's, the Toldeo Radio Club was growing, but Amateur Radio was replacing DX listening as the focus.

A DXer misht adopt a moniker, 'nom de plume', like the amateurs. Kine was 'The Lotus City Dier', simply because back in those days, Toledo was known as The Lotus City. It's now The Glass City. Joseph J. Becker Jr. was known well to the DXing fraternity as 'The Hamilton Night Owl'. A DXing minister from Toledo was known as the 'DX Kard Kullector', for he sent only cards to stations, and requested that cards be sent as verifications. Quite a number of DXers from other cities, mainly in Ohio, visited me during the mid-to-late 1930s. I well recall with pleasure, visits from Joe Becker and Carleton Lord, then of Akron.

Taking into consideration all of the people I met during my DXing years, Becker and Lord were my closest friends and correspondents. Through our years of correspondence and visits, I truly believe that more radio information was learned from them than any of the others. About a decade ago, Carl Lord and I, together with our wives, met for an evening at a Holiday Inn in Ohio. The conversation eventually sot around to the DX years, and we both agreed that one of the very best DXing times was way back in 1934, during the month of October.

On one particular morning it was like 'Orient On The Air', from 04:30 to about 06:00 A.M. Japan, Taiwan, Indo China, The Phillipines, and Kores all had radio signals generously sprinkled over the entire spectrum of the broadcast band. Even the ANZAC countries 'down under' (Australia and New Zealand) could be heard with amazing ease. Many other Diers got in on this real bonanza of stations that came in from the far East. When these stations verified my reception, most of their cards letters and rictures were really outstanding, and I was truly delighted to receive them ! - conclusion of part four -

The accounts of that partic plan morning in October 1934, with its far East opening, have been heard from other veteran DXers in addition to Ray. Ray is one of the few surviving Diers active in those days. Part five will conclude Ray's story, with an account of his participation in the WERS War Emersency Radio Service, which although not BCB oriented, is nevertheless quite interesting. Fart five will also have some words from Ray to those of us in the National Radio Club today. Ray has also sent me some photocopies of some of his best verifications, which will run in future DUSTY DIALS.

I am in need of only six post Sept. 1942 issues of DX NEWS: vol. 33 no. 31; vol. 35 no. 10; vol. 36 no. 3, 20, 30; and vol. 38 no. 1. Can someone send me photocopies or loan them? I will sladly trade for photo copies of any issues back thru 1933 of your choice (I don't have 9/35-8/37, 9/39-8/42).

Country radio station to air in Cortland

By DIANE LANEY FITZPATRICK Tribune Staff Writer

CORTLAND - When the sun comes up at 6:06 a.m. April 1, Cortland area radio listeners can tune to a new country station on their radio dials. The city's first radio station, WLND, will go on the air on the first

day of April.

Nancy Hoffman, sales manager for the family-owned Cortland Broadcasting Co. radio station, said WLND will begin broadcasting at 330 on the AM dial from surrise to sunset, by April I. If there are unseen delays, she said, the station will definitely go on the air during the first week of April. The station will broadcast country

and adult contemporary music, Hoti-

"It will be about 90 percent country music," Hoffman said. "We have a . real good format."

The construction of the tower, The Tribune Chronicle, Thursday, March 7, 1985 A9 completed Tuesday, Hoffman said.
More equipment is being installed
now at the studio and it is expected to
be ready by April, Hoffman said.
The studio and offices are located
at 3278 Elm Road, Cortland.

The Cortland Broadcasting Co. is jointly owned by Hoffman, her father, Glenn Barker, and her two sons, Chris Barker, who had operated two

other radio stations before taking on this venture, will be general manager

of the station.

The 830 kilohertz spot will have a strong signal in Cortland, northern Trumbull County and Mahoning County, but also will come in on radios as far away as East Liverpool to the south, Lake Erie to the north, Cleveland to the west and Mercer, Pa. to the east.

The 830 kilohertz spot was much

sought after because of its strong signal.

Hoffman's family was granted the \$30 frequency by the Federal Com-munications Commission after a four-

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Last year, the Certiand Broad-casting Co.'s application was counter-ed by an application for the same frequency by WOKG, a Warren station, now located at 1570 on the dial. The two broadcasters settled out of court and Cortland Broadcasting's application was approved.

Hoffman said the news and advertising content of the station will concentrate in the Cortland area, but also will include Mecca, Bristol Johnston, Vernon, Kinsman and other northern Trumbull County com-

Hoffman said most of the station staff has been hired. Family members staff has been hired. Family members plus several more disc jockeys and sales representatives will make up the full staff.

WLND will be the fourth radio station based in Trumbull County.

RADIO KICY

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WPE CALLBOOK PROJECT SOLICITS LISTINGS

For the first time ever an SWL Directory is being compiled for holders of WPE.Short-Wave Monitor callsigns. More than twenty-five years after the inception of the registration program by Popular Electronics magazine, the Great Circle.Shortwave Society has undertaken the monumental task of researching and compiling lists from various sources, as many records are no longer available.

During a ten year period beginning.around.1960.the.now defunct magazine.sponsored the WPE program under the leadership of columnist Hank Bennett WPE2FT/W2PNA. Some 40,000 calls were issued to SWLs the world over.

One of the fastest growing radio listening organizations around, GCSS already has a number of member volunteers working as Regional Editors in their respective call areas. They are listing the WPE callsigns, names, and addresses (city and state only, current one preferred) to be published in this unique Directory.

Even if you had a WPE call that was later converted to a WDX prefix under Hank's current program he is now WDX2FT, for example), we still want to include you in the call book. There is no charge for your listing. Just send your own along with any others you know of to: GCSS WPE DIRECTORY, Attn: Vern A. Weiss . WPE9GHF/WA9VLK, Box 874, Kankakee, Il 60901. This may be done with a QSL or post card, or by letter. If known, please include the date on your registration certificate.

Great Circle also has plans to offer exact reproductions of the original Short-Wave Monitor registration certificates. Information about this, or the GCSS awards program, the weekly SWL net conducted on ham radio by Larry Wheeler WPE9AVS/K9ZCH, and many other features of special interest to short-wave enthusists are published regularly in the club's newsletter which can be had free for a 20-cent stamp sent to the same address.

In order to make the WPE call book the most complete and accurate possible, please be sure to get your listings in to us. GCSS also hopes to be able to give credit in the publication itself to all sources who contribute to the project with callsign listings.

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Times are local per Muse.

And good day again, as the weather warms up and BCB DX cools down. We're a little light on theme Musings (favorite personalities) this issue, but the great turnout of Musers more than makes up for that. Our next deadline (Apr. 20) will be for your "sound-offs", of which we have several on hand already; #27 (May 25) will be the antitheses to the gripes with praise for NRC- or DX-related topics; and #28 (June 29) will contain your comments about the proposed expansion of the BCB. And now ... on with it!

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Pebruary 19 was an interesting yet frustrating day for this DX'er. At 11:53 pm EST I noted SS tlk on 1584 kHz along with hets and traces of audio on 1557 and 1575. Previously I had been tuning the 160M (1.8 mHz) band on my DX-302 where I had heard east coast amateurs working Europe. Unfortunately 1584 faded completely acrund 0000 ID time and the others were too weak to even tell the language. Too bad, as it was the closest I've come to logging a TA from this location, even though they were relatively common for me up in Northern Manitoba. Ch, well. I have added some good domestic catches lately, including WFBC-1330 at 10:05 pm on 2-22; CB2-970 at 9:02 pm on 2-24, WKBA-1550 at 5:56 pm on 2-27, and WAND-1580 at 6:56 pm on 3-3 (rather late for them to be on, I thought). I was pleased to read a recent Musing from Hamilton's Dave Whatmough, whom I met at a CIDX convention back in the '70's. Dave mentioned that CFAR-590 in Flin Flon, Manitoba is rarely if ever reported. That was a semi-local for me when I lived in various Northen Manitoba locations between 1971-1980. They usually simulcast with CVAR-1240 in The Pas, Manitoba, and ID as "AR Radio". I'm heading up to Northern Manitoba (specifically, to the town of Leaf Rapids located about 600 hwy miles NW of Winnipeg) later this week and will report any interesting radio observations to DX News. In case this makes it by March 16, I will just mention that as a teen-ager growing up in the '60's my favorite radio personalities were probably Cousin Brucie on WABC and "Jungle" Jay Nelson who did the morning show on CHIM. If I had to pick three favorites today, at least in the local area, I would give the nod to Rober Ashby of CHUM for his knowledge of the oldies (love his Sunday morning oldies show), Ross Carlin of CKEY (formerly known as "Ramblin' Ross Carlin" on CKNW) who is also very knowledgeable, and Rocking Robin of CING (FM-106) Burlington who is unique and almost impossible to describe.

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If you've been a little confused about the address juggling ... I'm still living at 7310 Ensign, at least for the time being, but am using the P. O. Box for business purposes, magazines, etc., as it takes a month or more to get a box out here, and should I decide to vacate to greener pastures I won't have to go through the usual address change hassle again. My favorite three radio personalities? I was in high school when I belatedly discovered rock and roll, and WIS's Art Roberts (where is he now?) became my favorite DJ ... a laid-back, "intelligent" announcer in an era of screamers. WDAF's Dan Henry and WHB's Johnny Dolan probably tie for second place ... Henry was doing the weather for Channel 4 and Dolan afternoons for RMBZ when I left the midwest a few years ago. And a little-known jock from the current era on RMRJ-96.9 Pittsburg, Bruce Elliot, with his pre-recorded dropins, I feel surpassed Rick Dees (KIIS-102.7/1150) in overall smoothness of delivery, although Dees is zanier than anyone I've ever listened to. If we include non-jocks ... give me Jack Benny any time. He was a true master of timing, which few jocks (weaned on the Drake-Chenault format) ever understand. 73.

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I finally got a chance, after all the overtime at work, family illnesses, and visits from relatives, to send in a Muse. Unfortunately, I missed the "theme" Musings, but if Paul doesn't mind, I'd like to relate a story that combines two of the most recent: former station employees and favorite veries (Sure ... I'm a sucker for a good story -pls). During my senior year in high school in NC, I began to DX seriously, and I sent a report to WLBB-1100 in Carrollton, GA. I never heard back from them, and the following year I moved to Carrollton to start college at West Georgia. I also began a part-time job at that same station, and asked a couple of people if they remembered my reception report - none did. One night while at work I went into the room where the FM automation equip was, looking for something and noticed, on a high window sill, a piece of paper. Dragging it and a layer of dust down, I was shocked to find a piece of stationery, and the salutation, "Dear Mr. Jeter ... "The letter had been started, never finished, and forgotten! Sadly, that verie was lost again later by me, and I re-verified WLBB a few years later in 1975 after moving to Atlanta. I would like to acknowledge some recent correspondence, including George Mulfinger for helping me on my unID 1490, WQOK (should've known that one ...) and Jerry Starr for that same unID as well as for correcting my gaffe on KBSM-1030 ... must've been daydreaming when I wrote down 1140. Ch, well, thanks, guys! Also, a nice letter from Ernie Cooper, along with a tape of "Forward - March!!" He does a good job with his show - I suggested he go into Syndication! DX lately has been sparse, but some nice stuff has been heard, especially after some maintenance down on the beverage "farm". On 3-12, much-wanted KSOO-1140 finally 40

bagged 1907-1920 with caw mx, a promo for the new Cak Ridge Boys album to be premiered on KSCO, and a report on a high school basketball tournament in Rapid City. This was heard amazingly well, with no real interference. Earlier that same eve, WAMG-1130 hrd at s/off 1859 with mention of 2500 watts. There was a real opening on 1140, as in addition to KSCO, also noted s/offs from unn KPWB at 1915 and KCML at 1930. A phone tip from S. D. Warren in MS brought in a tentative reception on KUUY-870, heard at 2350 on 3-16 with caw mx and a report from a high school basketball tournament game, with schools from Laramie and Sheridan mentioned. No ID's hard, but seems pretty likely to be KUUY. I'll have to keep trying (despite WMI) as I was never able to extract a verie from the old 1530 station there (nor I from Kansas -pls). Finally, on 3-18, KIXZ-1560 hrd with rock oldies, AP news, and the slogan "Austin's All-Star Rock and Roll Radio - is KIXZ", this 0243-0301. Reports are out to all just mentioned except KUUY; only a few veries in lately: WAKO-910, WKEQ-910, WMMW-770, and WSJP-1130. Oh, yes, also received nice letters recently from Pete Kemp and Bill Prater - thanks, guys! Time to go ... 73's.

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I thought I might share how I got started in DX'ing and some of my early DX experiences. In the summer of 1962, I met Randy Lee, whose brother was playing on my brother's Pony League team. He got me interested in DX'ing, and by early 1963 I was an NRC member. Initially, I used the family Zenith console (circa 1940) radio which was in the garage of the house next door in my father's workshop. I DX'ed sitting on a ladder with a blanket around me in order to be able to reach the controls. I DX'ed only on Friday nights since that was the night my dad went bowling, and he came home late. Very soon, the Zenith was moved to our living room where I had to wait until the TV was off to hear anything, due to the TVI. I had to use the Zenith speaker so I had to keep the volume down to avoid waking the rest of my family in the wee hours. My dad was not too keen on this new hobby of mine (partly because of my DX friends who came around!). That attitude change one early am in March, 1946, when he came in around 1 am and said, "What are you listening to, Seattle?" I turned the volume up just in time for him to hear the speaker say, "This is 3LO in Melbourne; the time is 6 o'clock". This surprised even me, since I was hoping for WABC on 770, and convinced him that what I was doing was at least semi-legitimate. I heard 8 or 10 DU's that AM and that was one of my best DX mornings ever. That summer I got my first job in engineering and saved enough money to buy an HQ-160 from Tom Colthurst, who was going away to college. With the HQ-160 and a 100-ft. longwire, I quickly became an avid foreign DX'er. In late 1964 I heard several Europeans and Senegal-764. BBC-1214 was heard one am until 1:15 am PST. Of course, I didn't have a tape recorder them! Through the two clubs, I started meeting and writing to other DX'ers. Gary Scrimgeour lived in La Jolla then, and, together with Larry Godwin and Art Peterson in the Bay area, the four of us started tape-sponding on a regular basis. This resulted in the "California DX Tape of 1965-66", which had the best of our DX over that DX season. Replaying that now makes me green with envy over the low noise levels and the clear channels. Unfortunately, those days are gone forever, but life goes on and the DX continues to roll in, but only if the radio is CN! Alas, that is way too infrequent these days. 73's de RjS.

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About one-fourth of the reports I send to U. S. stations at addresses given in the NRC Domestic Log are returned to me as undeliverable. I also suspect that some of the stns from which I get no response did not have my reports delivered. Most of the stns I write to are not very obscure ones, but are at least medium-sized, the kinds of regional and even clear channels I mostly hear here in HI. So, without denigrating the fine volunteer work done by the Log editors, I have to suggest a thoroughgoing revemping of the station addresses column for the next issue, possibly a strict policy of no automatic reprinting of an address from the 7th Edition without independent confirmation of each address. Let me request current addresses for the following: KOLO-920 NV, KLIF-1190 TX, WREN-1250 KS, and KDYL-1280 UT. I know other DX'ers have had similar problems with some of these, especially WREN. (The problem may be with the P. O.; I don't think WREN has moved from the QTH they were at when I visited them in 1974, trying to convince them that they wanted to hire me -pls) Think of our oversens DX friends in Finland, New Zealand, etc., many of whom actually try to report U. S. stns without a precise address, just using the city name. It may have worked in former times, but not now. I have to agree with Wally Wawro that something seems to have happened to the Latin on 540, which was XBWA San Luis Potosí. I don't hear it now, despite superb conditions here to Mexico lately which logged me two graveyarders on 3-8, XEEX-1400 R. Felicidad, Culiacán, Sin. (unlisted in WRTH 1984) and XECW R. Variedades, Los Mochis, also in the state of Sinalca on the central-western coast, on 1400 - my first Mexican on 1400 and only my third catch of 1440 where KRE is normally a powerhouse. I owe these two catches to increased vigilance on the graveyards, now that one of my favorite NRC features, Graveyard DX Achievements, is back. Thanks to Bill Hale for taking it over, and I hope he can unearth my past records, as I don't have them handy, though my past QSL's are here. Speaking of Mexico again, XELW R. Felicidad, Cd. Quzmán, Jal., 1510, sent a delightful verie letter and scheduled two sessions to greet me on the air. Word of the first reached me too late, but the second, sked for 3-9, has a chance of being heard, since they chose the time of my reception (sunset skip). Thanks to Jack Woods of OR for sending me Harold Beverage's original 1924 article, with important advice on building a star-shaped radial system simply stretched along the ground, as I could never dig

it into the lava field. I plan to do this, first on my South American beverage, then maybe on the others. Beverage's work is still relevant today; in reading it, remember that what he called "short wave" is what is now called "medium wave." Today's SW was unexplored back then. I agree with Mark Connelly's suggestion that abbreviations like EG English, FR French, be adopted by NRC, bringing it into line with NASWA and other leading SW clubs. Weather has been rainy lately ith a few nights of high noise, but mostly good cxs to all areas - Europe, MidEast, Africa, East Coast, and especially South America. Aloha.

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Much has happened since my last Muse, over a year ago ... I quit my job with Thom McAn in October and after two and a half months, I joined Hanover Shoes as assistant manager in their North Dartmouth Mall store. So, Ray Arruda, if you need shoes ... A sad note in October, also, as my grandfather passed away. He was a DX'er too and is still sorely missed (Our condolences to you and your family, Richard -pls) ... Had a great time at Ray Arruda's Thanksgiving GTG; thanks, Ray and Arlene ... My house got broken into on Washington's Birthday. Thank God they only took \$300 in cash and not my radios, hi ... WHUE-1150 has been off recently. They are supposed to come back on the air in late March with new call letters WMEX. Took advantage of their absence to log CHSJ and WCIC (?) with mention of CT ski report. Has WCNX changed calls? ... Local WBSM-1420 is being sold for \$2.1 million to a NY outfit ... Got a nice logging of WHUM-1240 PA on 2-22 at 5 am, no sign of WOCB ... Decided to change my logging procedures. From now on, any current domestic station that changes call letters, frequency or city of license will not count as a new station. More than one station per foreign country outside US and Canada also will not count as a new station. As such, totals are 197 stations from 12 countries, 29 states, and 6 Canadian provinces. All for now. 73's and best regards.

*Jesse James Is Now Selling Radio Tubes

Gene Martin - 3303 E. Evans Avenue - Denver, CO 80210

I suspect there are a good many unregenerate old-timers out there, like me, who have eschewed the new state-of-the-art radio receivers and carry on with the tried and true communications receivers that were state-of-the-art 20 or 30 years ago. These remarks are inspired by my recent experience of purchasing 5 new tubes for my HQ-180 for \$47.43, and that sum was reduced 40 percent from the listed total for the five. Can you imagine finding the 6C4 listed by a local store for \$17.45 before the discount? The 6BA6 for \$14.10 and the 6BE6 for \$14.207 This experience made me realize that I must have a treasure-trove of old radio tubes kicking around the office, perhaps 40 or 50 retired from service years ago, yet none of them truly bad tubes. Over the years with whatever radio I was using at the time, I was always replacing tubes, seeking better performance, and most of the time, the replacements turned out to be no better than the older tubes. Yet I never threw away the old ones, but kept them on hand, and I've got a slew of them now. For example, I have a Philco 80 bought in Cincinnati, still in the carton, never used, brand-new, and I think I paid 39 cents for it. My years in Cincinnati were 1944-50. I got it figuring I might use it someday inasmuch as just about all radio of that era used this 80 rectifier. I wonder how much an 80 would cost nowadays if one could be located. In my next report, I'll try to lit all the tubes I have which I don't need and are most likely still serviceable. I always made it a practice to throw away sure-enough bad tubes, such as the one 6BA6 rejected in the recent testing. By the way, the old HQ-180 is operating in splendid form now with its \$47 worth of new tubes, and I have given up my thought that it needed a general overhaul. In the belief there must be many OldTimers out there who want to find replacement tubes for their receivers, I would greatly appreciate hearing about good places with less than extortionist prices for tubes. There must be a number of them around the country, and DX'ers need to know about them. (I've dealt with Fair Radio Sales Co. - P. O. Box 1105 -Lima, OH 45802 and ETCO Electronics - North Country Shopping Center - Rt 9 North -Plattsburgh, NY 12901 and find them to be reasonable. ETCO's 6BA6 was \$4.16 and Fair Radio's was \$2.00 in my 2-year-old catalogs, for example -pls)

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At the present time I am waiting on NRC HQ's to send me the computerized listing of the information I have already sent in to them for the telephone number lists in the NRC Log Book and the prospective updaters for it that will some come out. There are still large amounts of unrepresented stations in the list. I'd like to have all stations in the list. I need a lot of Canadian stations yet. Come on, you Canadian members, let's get those telephone directories out and copy those numbers for me. If you don't want to take the time to copy the numbers out of the telephone directory then just tear out the page with the numbers and send them to me. I'll do the copying. All you have to do is just tell me what your area code is. you can write that down at the top of the page somewhere or in your cover letter or a plain piece of paper if you do not write a cover letter. Remember, I want the FM and TV stations as well! I plan on doing a list of those for WIFDA after my list for the NRC log is completed. I'm also a member of WIFDA, IRCA, LWCA, SCADS, ASWLC, and member #13003 of the old Radio Canada Shortwave Club. 73 and good DX.

John Herman - P. O. Box 171 - Vinita, OK 75301

Well, another winter is gone and weather-wise I won't miss it. Better DX is the only thing that makes winter easier to stand. New loggings have been slowing since the first of the year. I've logged 19 new ones since Jan. 1 but 8 of them were Cubans. Just started allowing those guys back into my log. A real surprise for me was hearing R. Bahamas, ZNS-3, on 810 kHz. That was on 2-7 at 1835 CST. Had KOMO mulled totally and no sign of the usual WSJC. ID's were for the Bahamas Radio Network and R. Bahamas with funeral annoucements, weather, ads mentioning downtown Preeport and music. The night before I heard KSVP-990 on a friends' Rotel stereo. They were booming in over XET at 1855 with C&W mx. ID at the top fo the hour by a female DJ, "KSVP, Artesia". The WZAL test on 2-25 was heard pretty well here with minimal interference from KXEL and an unID SS station; assumed that was KUCO. The tones were in well as were the ID's. Got the verie back and it is impressive looking. CE James DeVan said I was the only one reporting that identified the Four Tops song, so it will be interesting to see how well they were heard in other directions. I was very surprised to hear anything on the 4-watt transmission. The tones, much weaker, were heard. Mr. DeVan sounds like a good prospect for club membership. (Sign him up! -pls) He said he DX'ed in the '60's and that his wife recently got him a DX-400. Seemed to me a very DX'er-friendly CE. 11 veries in for '85 so far, with most of them already in Waynes' column. 194 veries from 323 reported, about a 60% return. Jerry Starr, the number for WJEP is (912) 228-5683, in Thomasville, GA. Address is P. O. Box 90, Thomasville, GA 31799. 73's for now.

Greg Myers - 1518 Professor CT - Richmond, VA 23228

Looks like spring has arrived here with temps hitting the '60's; I guess the DX season will be leaving us before too long. Hopefully the rise in temps will also bring up the spirits of some station personnel as veries have dropped consideraly since Feb. compared with January's results. 18 cut of 20 stations reported veried, and one of those two holdouts is the WOPM test which I assume I heard, going by everyone else's reports in DNN. (Outstanding results, Greg -pls) Speaking of tests, I have been able to hear all the tests this season. I hope there will be more to come. Recent veries include a nice verie from the WZAL test, an even nicer v/l from one of the better catches of the season, KSO-1460; the engineer mentioned that they had just installed a new antenna system and hadn't corrected their problems yet so they were operating on an ND system; all is in order now, and their strongest null is toward Richmond (God must be looking out for us dumb Germans). The engr. also mentioned that he had lived in Richmond a few years back and had worked at WRNL, WLEE, WRGM (now WKIE), WEET 8now WRJY), and WGCE (now WFTH); some people get around! Other veries include: v/q WQQW-1590, v/l WKLB-1290, v/l WDCC-1310, v/q WNYC-830, and a v/q from CHWO-1250. Long overdue thanks go to Jerry Starr for his nice v/l from WHOT-1330 for a Dec. '84 report; thanks, Jerry! And thanks are in order for Dave Schmidt's WQIQ test which was much needed here. That's all for now; you had better DX while you can!!

Radio Roundup

Pete Kemp - P. O. Box 73 - Bethel, CT 06801

Greetings all ... Big News! After a 15-year battle WREF-Ridgefield, Ct is on the air, as of noon, March 15. WREF will program basically the "Big Band" sound with a few current mellow artists thrown in for good measure. WREF is a sister station to WGCH-Greenwich, another affluent community, and is programming for the 35+ audience. General Manager Drew Wilder (previously with WLAD 1979-83) states that the station will program from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm daily, with hopes of becoming the area's first 24-hour AM operation soon. 850 kHz will not be the same in these parts again ... Steve Albert, one of the famous Albert Brothers Sportscasters, has left a TV spot on WCBS to become morning sportscaster on WABC-AM ... WWEE, in Memphis, is changing its call letters to WINS ... The USFL's Memphis Showboats can be heard on WRBC-AM ... In Philadelphia, Bill Webber of WFIL is changing his time spot after 17 years. He is moving from the 10:00 am-2:00 pm spot to make room for the station's new Info-tainment Show with Bill Gallagher, and will surface with only a 6-9:00 pm spot ... More big news. The famous WMEX call letters will be returning to the Boston Market. The original WMEX became WITS and now WMRE. On March 17, St. Patricks Day (isn't that a great day to switch in Boston?) WHUE-AM becomes WMEX. Programming will be Goldies. I wonder if Armie "Woo Woo" Ginsberg will put in a visit? ... Andre Baruch, the original announcer for the "Your Hit Parade" show, which aired from 1935 to 1958, will be recreating his role and the show, together with his wife, former big band era vocalist Bea Wain, on WNEW-1130 every Sunday evening from 6 to 7 pm ... Washington DC's popular morning team of Jackson Weaver and Frank Harden are celebrating their 25th anniversary with WMAL ... The United Arab Emirates has signed an agreement, in the neighborhood of 109 million dollars, for the construction of a radio/TV complex for Abu Dhabi ... ONN has opened a news bureau in Nairobi, Kenya ... CPCF-AM has rehired the abrasive Ted Tevan for a mid-day spot. The station is hoping to pull out of a drastic drop in listeners that the oldest station in Canada is experiencing. More changes will probably follow ... WGN-Chicago is moving its facilities from the Tribune Broadcasting Center, on Addison Avenue to the Tribune Tower on

North Michigan Avenue ... WIS-AM is no longer simulcasting its evening programming on FM ...
NBC has pulled the rug out from under CBS, having secured the radio rights to the NFL, for
the next two years cost - \$11 million. So much for now.

Ken Onyschuk - 10731 Lloyd Dr. - Worth, IL 60482

Very little DX done here, due to log updating and work schedules. My only new logging in '85 was a Sat. back in January when I had WKSS-1030 with soul mx and ID at 5 pm. I've done a little here and there, but nothing special in my mind. I got the log updater in Jan and it took quite a while to get thru that one. Does that mean that we'll see no more log updaters in DX News? In the last bulletin, several DX'ers listed their favorite stations. My favorites, in general, are WJOL-1340 Joliet, a nice info-MCR stn; KYW-1060 Philadelphia, that I've listened to for 19 yrs; the old POL WCFL-1000. I now hear the same format on 104.3 WJMK, but I do prefer an AM stn. like WISN-1130 or WOWD-1190. For EZL mx, at work, I like WKDC-1530 Elmhorst. I find I listen more at work than at home lately, but that should change as BB season starts. Back in Dec. I went to Rob Kramer's CTG, but was disappointed at the poor turnout. I'm eyeing the summer conventions, but have no commitment yet. My job future is either with the Post Office, at which I hope to improve service, or the G. M. plant in St. Charles, MO where my brother-in-law works. I'm awaiting a call any day to take a gov't test there, before the hiring starts. With no plans to buy an HQ-180 or similar receiver in the near future, I'm probably going to sell 1 of 2 Superadios I own and get a medium-priced AM-FM cassette recorder. I'm tired of buying those \$20 Sears recorders; I want something respectable. My 11-yr-old son has a nice Sanyo set that I use a lot, but I'd rather have my own. Mostly it's for taping TV wrestling interviews for friends. I have some tapes of stns from yrs ago still. Somday still, I'm gonna get another Sony ICP-SSW. But that's on the back burner, friends. My location here really discourages me. More news here is about FM personality cgs, which I don't listen to. Nice to see new AM stns granted on 930 and 1030. Hope the programming is interesting and informational. That will do it for now. "Celebrating" 2 yrs. on the job 3-19, St. Joseph's Day - my Polish friends. 73.

Marching Through February

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Fri., Feb. 1 - Somebody in this general area is carrying Silly Sally on 1490 anybody know who? Noted at 1:08 am. SM 2-3: Noted were several SS's, like a Cuban Minute Man on 570, another Cuban on 600 with a tremendous signal, a R. Tricolor on 655 at 1:23, lively mx on 905 at 1:49, unID, and another SS on 950. MM 2-4: Needed WPCK-1290 was in with L. King at 1, but at the next break they had given way to WWSA with the same program. WBAL and WJR were off today. R. Sutatenza-810 was annihilating WGY here all AM; WGY is in here all day! And an unID TT'er on 1310 at 2:30 and 1590 at 2:40. Tue. 2-5: "Chicago's Christian Connection" WCFL-1000 said at 2 they would return at 5 CST with "Sunrise Chicago". They are off every Tuesday for these four hours now instead of MM's as of yore, so tell your 1000 kHz daytimer friends they can test on a Tuesday AM and have a chance to be heard! At SSS, WPGR-1540 PA in u/WPTR as I tried for WKIE; reported, no verie as of this typing, 3-15-85. Wed. 2-6: Unn WBBC-1420 with Celtics West Coast BKB at 12:42. Thur. 2-14: WHUE-1150 off; and they've been silent every morning since, and all day for the last two weeks prior to coming back as WMEX, says Stan Morss. MM 2-18: The WQIQ-1590 TEST was in u/WFTH's r/c, and after WFTH went off, WQIQ fought it out with WETT. CKIM-1570 was off this AM and a TT'er was there at 1:59 as he went off with no ID. The hastily-arranged TEST from WFR-850 CT made it here u/MHDH's carrier, 2:30-3:15 am, thanks to a telephone call from NRC'er Dennis Jackson the morning before; they're WREF now and will test again, he says. Tue. 2-19: UnID TT on 1040 with no ID, 2:02-2:44 am. Wed. 2-20: Twilighting netted WSKE-1040 finally 5:30-5:45 s/off; this is a tough channel here twixt WBZ and WEN! Also a report to WJTB-1040, 5:45-6; neither has verified yet. Fri. 2-22: WIZY-1580 has been slipping through u/CBJ these days, but try to get a verie outa them! MM 2-25: The WZAL-1540 test made it with the sweep tones, which surprised me as WPTR is a bomber here. 2-26: Day report to WMRS-1350 NH, ex-WKZU. Wed. 2-27: It's tough to get anything u/WHN but tonight WSEN made it on 1050 5:23-5:38 pm when they faded out. SM 3-3: Unn WLIM-1580 testing at 1:44. MM 3-4: UnID TT on 910 o/CHRL 12:35-12:58 am. Thur. 3-7: WERO-1440 for a surprise atop at 1:52 am, reported. Fri. 3-8: UnID TT'er on 730 2:26-3:03 with occasional caw tunes, WPKX?

Roger Winsor - 311 W. Springfield, #4 - Champaign, IL 61820

Some changes in formats of a couple of stns. heard: WJJN-1180 Newburg, IN is REL, Sunshine Radio nonID. Nothing new heard, but the following DX was: 3-4: KCWB-1550 Fargo with oldies before midnight and on, logged to 12:31 for a second try at verifying this one, gave ph # (218) 236-8800. That PM KLPW-1220 MO hrd at 6:15 s/off: KHAD-1190 also, no SSB either; KTWD-1030 noted on top at 6:50p, cx to east poor; 3-5 KFDF-1580 AR, KCYX-1560 MD to 6:30p s/off; 3-7 WMAX-1480 noted at 5:45p s/off so still D-1; 3-8 WJJN-1180 5:50-6:00p ment. 6:45a s/on. KTUI-1560 MO 6:15p s/off with Oak Ridge Boys singing of SSB, very distinctive, hrd often to 6:17; 3-9 WJWK-860 GA on top in CJBC null with r&r 9:10 to 9:45p fadeout; 3-11 WJRT-810 IN not much stronger daytimes after being quite weak lately, so must

have tuned up XR, log from 9:42 to 10:00a (317) 637-WGRT given; WXLW-950 now is Radio Auction D3, not counted in my log, though; 3-11 KAAN-870 MO in well enuf at 6:4la to log to 7:00 Ai net nx, some WPRQ/WKAR QRM; 3-13 KHCG-1030 AR at 6:57 to 0705 fadeout, much KCTA. They really put out compared to WXSS, which is gospel, by the way, ex-RCK. 3-15: WEMQ-630 6a ex-WKEX with format change to oldies, sound automated, no DJ, jingles every 15 min.; logged from 7:00 to 7:45 pm with very few spots; 3-16 WIRV-1550 KY hrd with ID at 12:30a; anno. as ET. First ET had in a long while. Never any frequency checks like before either. I hardly DX any more after midnight. So many in parallel with Larry King or NBC Talknet. on 1250, 1260, 1280, and 1290 the same music can be heard on Saturday nights as WEMP, WNDE, WGBF, and WIRL are all on the satellite. Imagine being a satellite babysitter at a radio station. Doesn't sound like much fun. Radio has changed a lot in the last 30 years. That was the year I started listening in suburban Chicago, Berwyn, when I first joined the NRC. Veries in from WZAL fvd 2500 and 4w, KURM, WPGR mentioning DX as a science overlooked and sounded quite pro-DX. Ben Hill was the vs, Dave Schmidt. He might do a test. I'm going to try to find out if either WJTX or WILL are going to be doing any testing. In closing, I've heard KUUY-870 at least 6 times now since first hearing them last month. Easily could be heard coast-to-coast. Good DX to all!!

Stephen H. Ponder - 4105 Glen - Bossier City, LA 71112

Hello again from Louisiana, the Great State of Gubernatorial Flamboyance! It's been quite a while since my last Muse, so I guess an introduction might be in order. I'm a 31-year-old bachelor who teaches math, science, and computers at a private high school in town. I also serve as the associate pastor of a small Baptist church in Shreveport. I've been a member of the NRC since 1975. I was "brought up" in the knowledge of DX'ing by none other than the great Ron Schiller himself, who has taken somewhat of an extended breather from DX'ing. I am also a ham (KA5UCR) and love novice CW on 40. Well, I guess that's enough about me for right now. No DX to speak of, since my Wedge Loop decided to go bad all of a sudden, but I hope to get it operational again during the Easter break. My main DX machine is a Heath GC-1A, but a recently-acquired RF3100 is running a close second. I also use a Hutton-modified TRF and a Radio West Shotgun Loop. I hope to become more active in DX (and the NRC) again, but it all depends upon my alloted amount of free time, hi. That's all for now - good DX!

Harry Hayes - 9 Henry St. - Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Not too much band-checking being done lately due to a heavy work schedule here at home where I've started a design and art studio. Also, I'm thinking now about the upcoming FM season. My Superadio is incapacitated. The tuning string (and I mean string) has broken inside so the set must be tuned with the radio open from the inside. My attempts at trying to "rethread" the tuner have failed. Can anyone recommend a good digital readout RX for FM DX'ing? It would be much appreciated. (For a take-along portable, with stereo FM and digital FM readout, I can recommend the Sharp FV-610 very highly. It's quite selective and sensitive -pls) The few things of interest noted: 2-19: MDDT-1390 VT at 1830 with csw mx. Previously hrd. on 1400. 1931 WERN-1460 MI. 3-5 0000 Malta-1557, nice sig. with AA chanting; no sign of Nice. 3-17: 1830 WPIC-790 Sharon, PA weak with s/off. That's all for now.

Michael J. Manning - Box 2729 - APO New York, NY 09109 (50th TRS)

Hello, this is my first Musing. I am 24 years old, a member of the USAF, stationed in West Germany. Well, I too can finally add something. On 17 Mar 85 I was listening on my Sony ICF-2002. It was about 0230. I cranked up my Palcmar loop and decided to DX. I tuned in on 930 kiz; it was only a few seconds before I heard CJVQ, the rock of Newfoundland. I couldn't believe it, so to take advantage of the situation I tuned in on 1210. You got it, WCAU, my hometown station! I though that it couldn't be done. Sure enough, I pulled the ICOM R71A off the shelf, hooked the loop up, and Bam! DX was gone. All the major stations in Europe seemed as if they all came on the air at once. I guess it's what we call temporary auroral blockage to the north. So I learned that you have to keep your ear out for awhile if you want to hear the TA's . Hey, I'm spoiled with Radio Luxembourg, Radio Caroline, and Laser. So I wish everyone in the club Happy DX from the Rheinland Pflatz. (It's good to hear from you, Michael. Keep that European DX coming in to these pages! -pls)

Conrad R. Durocher - Rt. 1, Box 2245 - Dickinson, TX 77539 (713) 339-1143

Howdy from home for a change. Hope this finds all well and happy. Just now getting over our 20-day USO tour (1-19/2-8) that took us halfway around the world: Hawaii, Guam, Philippines, Indian Ocean, Masirah, Arabian Sea. Since customs saw 18 of us go through each time, we were asked to leave all Walkmans and radios home ... darm. got to see a lot of radio-related stuff along the way. In Guam, we stayed in barracks at Andersen AFB, right next to the HF communitions center. Got some great photos of log-periodics and rhombics. At Clark AFB, Philippines, got more photos of log-periodics and "bird cages". On the way to Wallas NAS, PI, we had to go by VOA's relay station; I counted 12 rhombics in all directions and a giant rotating log-periodic beam. Gilley took a tour of the facilities and

"forgot" to take me along. At Subic Bay, PI, I spotted an R-2000 in the exchange catalog for \$350 (couldn't pass it up ... sorry, Mike). Still waiting for shipment to arrive (along with many beads and trinkets). Next stop was Diego Garcia, a British-owned, U. S.-leased reef island 1,000 south of India. The only radio stuff I saw there was the U. K.-operated telephone satellite sttion (rates: \$10 for 3 min). Next stop was Masirah, a tiny island off the coast of Oman in the Arabian Sea. It is owned by a sheik, policed by Pakistanis, and portions are leased by the U. K. and U. S. I spotted 3 towers at island's end and found later this was the BBC relay on 1413 kHz. We were the helicoptered a few miles to play on ships of the Indian Ocean Battle Group. All of the ships had the BBC piped into the statercoms, and I had to find the receivers. Each ship has a TV/video/radio center. Here's where I finally got to mess around with R-71A's and R-2000's. One ship had two R-2000's, one for backup. Antenna space was their downfall, surrounded by constant HF communications. One of our shows on a carrier was delayed due to SSB coming through our P. A. speakers (powerful stuff). At this point, we were 14 hours ahead and one day behind Houston. In all, I shot 29 rolls of slides and the sorting continues. Furny thing, upon return home, I jumped on SW and had no trouble pulling in KTWR Guam, VOA and FEN Philippines. But Masirah-1413? A little more wire and the R-2000 ... just maybe ...

(2nd Muse) Howdy from the road. Hope this finds all well and happy. Am proudly announcing two new additions to the shack: an R-2000 and a 550' reverse question mark lw. The antenna's name (my own) comes from its configuration as seen from a bird's eye: 7 The lead-in is at the short end above the shack. The wire surrounds the yard area 30 ft. above ground. The long end crosses power lines (no noise when crossing perpendicular); over a dirt road, down a 4-ft. cliff, and out 150 ft. on pilings 2 ft. above 4 ft. of salt water looking directly north. Question to antenna nuts: If I wish to terminate the long end, will the water itself offer enough grounding? How about the last piling which is 3 ft. into the bottom? ... Still trying desperately for KFNW-1200 before season ends, but WOAI says "nope", not today ... On 1030, I've logged all the new ones except KHOG; WXSS is the dominant here. Who's the SS with the whistling "ring around the Rosie"? ... On 1400, local KILE used to get lost in the pile at SS but no more with its 1 kw... TF: Thanks for the WLS profile. Grew up with it in NE and it's still a local here at night. ... Jeff Cohen: OK on the Saugus CTH. Lived on Essex St. behind Sears for 6 1/2 years; nice DX CTH ... WW: Nice catch on KTUN-1180. Wish I could get rid of it by Marti time, whenever that is. Yep, CBK-540 has been easy here also. On 1380, the dominant here is KAUL, No. Little Rock with MYL. ... Richard Wood: When do you find time to play Doctor? Great catches! I called a KTRH talk show to let them know in HI; and he catches KFNW to boot! ... Paul: Ditto on friendly KGBC-1540 Galveston. It sounds like the sales people do their own sppots ... The strongest/loudest signal in the houston area is KXY2-1320 with LAT. I'm surprised it's not reported more. That's it for now. Where'd I put that roll of wire ... ?

Warren E. Greenberg - 145 Cottage Road - West Roxbury, MA 02132

Not much to report since my last Muse. Had a great time at the convention in Colorado this last Labor Day weekend. At this last convention I ended up planning my vacation around the convention and got to see quite a bit of that part of the country. If it wasn't for the conventions I wouldn't have that much of an excuse to see the various parts of the country. So that is one reason that I like the conventions. In January I purchased an ICCM-R71A receiver and so far I am quite impressed with it, compared to the FRG-7 receiver. I spent the first week of March on the island of Guadeloupe and using my modified TRF doing a little listening, but I didn't get a chance to do any serious DX'ing. I wished Mark Connelly's list had come out a few weeks earlier so I could have brought it with me so I could have provided any additional info. In June I will be taking a

transfer at work and will be on the road 100% of the time. Pending any problems I will be

able to get back to this area for the 1985 convention in Rhode Island.



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New AMs Proposed

The Commission still does not know when AMers will be able to operate full time on foreign clear channels, a privilege that would be contingent upon negotiations with Mexico and the Bahamas.

Progress has stalled in US negotiations with Mexico because a Mexican telecommunications strike last year has delayed bilateral meetings. FCC officials said they hope to arrange more meetings this spring or summer.

The US and Canada already have reached an agreement that permits full-time operation on Canadian clear channels, but filings for those AMs on channels 690, 740, 860, 990, 1010 and 1580 are suspended until the Mexican and Bahamian negotiations are complete. Docket number is MM 84-281.

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650	CISL1 Susan Ingaldson	WH	1280	KSOKl	Richard T Wartell GM PT
660	WNPCob u/u		7832	WJAY1	
670	VIDGe Les Robinson M	RW	1290	WNLB1	Glenn D. Lynch GM
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700	KGRVimch Lvie Arndt GM	27.44		WSYD1	B.Hull P & GM GM
720	WGNq James J Corollo CE	KD		WDOC1	u/u GM GM
730	CKDMq u/u		1330	KMILlm	Charles McGregor OpM PT
	KDAZ1 Jim Hogg CE	JH	1340	KSILlb	John Moss CE JH
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950	KMERIb John Dallas Evans PR	JH		KNOM	Ken Rush PD PT
970	KJLT1 John G. Townsend GM	PL		WTOPq	u/u/ PT
980	KSVCq u/u CE	JH	1520		h Tim Perry CE KG
990	KGTM Eddie Bell CE	WM		WREAL	Ed Garrett GM
17.5	KSVPq Jack R. Dexter CE	WM	1530	KCMN	Tanya Henderson OffM WM
1020	KBCQl Elmer Felio CE	JH	1540	WZALlmz	James W. Devan P/GM WF/KG
	KHOG David T. Nolan	With	4.0.17	KMFOl	Grant R.Wrathom O/CE JH
1220	KCTAfmb Tim L Walker DoE	RW	1550	KXXR1	Donal L.Bailey CE JH
1040	WHBOlb Ed Pendino E	JS		WXVAl	T.C. Gullett GM GM
1050	XEG1 Bernardo Bichara Gte	PT		WYNXl	Allison Owens OffM FW
	KORElmb Peggy Gates	JH	212.20	WJLY1	J. Van Alfred Winsett GM
1080	WJYAl Jim Moore OpM	KG	1560	WTAIlbu	Gary Hess P JH
1090	KBOZ Steve Campbell TD	WM		WFSPf	Arthur W.George P GM
	KKYN Janie Kirkland M	WM		KEGGlmb	Sharon Stewart GM BP
	WWWEf R. Dale Kocias E	RW	1570	KGCR1	Rhoda Isgrigs WP
1100	KKLLf Gail Stubblefield 0	WM		KCVRlz	George L. Sampson VF RW
1110	KHAC Fareed Ayoub SM	WM	1580	KNIXchs	Eric B.Schecter CE RW
	WHIMr u/u	RD		KOKBlmb	John Williams Nx/SxD BP
	KFABc Jerry McKenna CE	RW	U 2 250	KRZIlm	Keith Reid NxD BP
	KMOXfc Jim Butler DTOp	RW	1590	KMOZlm	Ray Hicks VP/NxD BP
1130	WAMG1 Lee Raines E - KWKHf u/u PD	FO		KENDlmb	Carol Fogerson SlsA BP
		PT		WERAL	Mark Wurtzburger PD TF
	KPWB1 u/u	BP		₩QQ₩q	P.Miller CE GM
	.WHNEl Phil Castleberry GM	KG		KRXY1	Girard M.Westerberg TD
	KFNWf Mank A.Mohr CE	JS	1610	Caribean	Beacon 1tr.
1210	KCLGf Eric Kehew CE	RW			Gareth L. Hodge SM RW
	FREW Don Bennett CE	WM			manuscript manuscript manuscript
1220	CKSM1b Robert Lorander TD	TF			WCOMERS: Richard Wood HI
	KCGSlmb Dan Sheets PD	JH	Jim :	milliher-	CA, Richard D'Angelo
	WRIBL Eugene R.Faltus CE	RD	THAM	KS TO THE	REGULAR GANG Bill Prater-
1240	WYGL1 David Bernstein GM	KG			
4.00	KTAM1 David Walker CE	PT	Fitz	herbert-	NY, Greg Myers Va, Tony CT, Kermit Geary PA, Frank
1250	WRENIm Eric L.Carmen CE	JH	Whee	ler-PA. W	illiam Moser-ND, Phil
	CHWOq u/u	GM	Tall	man-OK T	erry Starr- OH. 73 WH-CO
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WIBA etloker(4x9*)n/c.#621:CZEEDX-II(Spain)sticker(2.5x4.5*)BAW.#622:KANI stick-